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Tireless Sam Karas strives no more

By KIRSTIE WILDE

WHEN HE was pushing 80, Sam Karas was still working the phones as a salesman at Carmel Meat Co., his profession for more than 50 years. And when he wasn't selling meat, he was raising money to clear land mines in Bosnia, building a health center in Big Sur, trying to run the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District out of town, founding the Monterey Pop Festival, or taking a bow on the stage at the Wharf Theater. And that was just a warm-up before lunch.

The tireless Mr. Karas died Feb. 27 at Community Hospital from complications of pneumonia. His wife, Edie, and their daughters were with him at the end.

First generation Greek American

Mr. Karas was born into a poor family of Greek immigrants in Chicago on Feb. 7, 1922. He grew up during the Great Depression and went to work right after high school for Pullman, the railroad company, to help bring money home during those hard times. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, rising to the rank of 1st Lieutenant even though he had no college education.

"I don't think anybody but me knew how smart Sam was," his wife, Edie Karas, said. "He wasn't educated, but he could always figure out how to solve a problem. And he really loved helping other people."

After they married in Monterey in 1944, Mr. Karas started a small meat company which gave him many opportunities to reach out to the homeless — a cause that would occupy much of his time for half a century.

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PHOTO/COURTESY EDIE KARAS

Sam Karas
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Hidden in the gloomy news: signs of recovery

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMEL'S ECONOMY is showing the first signs of recovering from the recession.

At the Carmel City Council meeting Feb. 24, the council learned that during the most recent reporting period — from July to December 2002 — two of the city's "big three" revenues increased over last year.

City revenue from both property and hotel taxes picked up considerably, netting increases of \$200,464 and \$732,471, respectively. Sales tax revenues fell a bit — bringing in \$173,567 less during those six months than a year ago.

"People are not necessarily traveling abroad — they're making local trips and we are benefiting from this," said Carmel City Administrator Rich Guillen.

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NO WATER FLOWS FROM \$34 MILLION DESAL PLANT

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHILE PENINSULA residents may be asked to spend more than \$100 million on a big desalination project in Moss Landing, a similar desal plant sits unused just 250 miles away.

The City of Santa Barbara, in the middle of a serious drought, decided to build a \$34 million plant in 1990. But reservoirs, groundwater, reclamation and a hookup to the State Water Project in the San Joaquin Valley have proved to be cheaper, according to Stephen Mack, water supply manager for Santa Barbara Public Works.

"Desal is expensive to operate relative to other supplies, so we won't operate it unless we need to," he said of the currently decommissioned plant, which could produce 3,000 acre-feet of water per year if it were running.

High energy costs were one of the reasons the desal plant was never put online. But reverse osmosis — the act of forcing filtered seawater through layers of semi-permeable plastic membrane at very high pressure in order to remove salt and other solids — has become cheaper since the plant was built, according to Mack, because the technology has improved.

If it were up and running with the latest technology, the plant could produce water at about \$1,100 per acre-foot. When it was analyzed more than 10 years ago, the cost hovered around \$1,500 per acre-foot, according to Mack.

"The problem with desalination has always been the cost of electricity," said Santa Barbara attorney Stanley Hatch. Skyrocketing energy prices have been known to send the figure as high as \$2,100 per acre-foot, he said. (An acre-foot is the amount of water that would cover an acre of land to a depth of one foot, or about 325,000 gallons — enough to supply three average homes for a year.)

Drought-driven decision

Reeling from the hardship of a devastating, years-long drought, the Santa Barbara City Council in August 1990 approved the \$34 million desalination plant to produce 6.8 million gallons per day as a temporary emergency water supply. The neighboring Goleta and Montecito water districts joined in and helped foot the bill.

Agreeing that protection against future droughts was a top priority, Santa Barbara voters backed the desal plant in June

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Carmel girl's compassion reaches the youngest of the poor in India

By TAMARA GRIPPI

KIMBERLY BURWASH was only 5 years old when she first saw the television program about children in India who were hurting because they didn't have enough food to eat.



PHOTO/COURTESY PETER BURWASH

The 41-year-old Indian mother of 11 hugs the Carmel Valley girl she loves like a daughter, Kimberly Burwash.

Heartbroken by what she saw, the kindergartner asked her dad, Peter Burwash, if she could go to India to feed the kids.

Her dad said yes, but wanted to wait until the Carmel Valley girl was 10 years old. As the years passed, Kimberly never forgot the children.

"It was the look on the kids' faces," she said. "If you looked into their eyes you could tell their whole life story."

For the next five years, she collected change and her earnings for doing chores in a piggy bank. "I kept asking my dad and reminding him," she said.

Peter Burwash kept his word. After Kimberly turned 10, father and daughter traveled to India with Kimberly's \$400 worth of savings.

They walked into villages without sewage systems or running water. Some of the homes were constructed simply, out of straw. Others would best be described as "tents," Kimberly said.

The Burwashes worked through the nonprofit organization, Food for Life, dedicated to feeding the poverty-stricken people of India. On the first trip, Kimberly and her dad were able to sponsor numerous "feasts" for school children in Vrindaban and other villages located approximately 100 miles south of Delhi.

They went out in a truck to serve the food — mostly dishes of rice and vegetables — to the children. She recognized the same look of a pain in their eyes. "They were amazed that they were getting the food," she said.

It's been two years since that first trip to India. Kimberly,

'When we got to the hut this time, the mother kissed Kimberly on the forehead and then kissed her on the feet, a gesture usually reserved for saints.'

— Peter Burwash

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Carmel readies for LCP debate before the coastal commission

By TAMARA GRIPPI

WITH THE California Coastal Commission in the middle of a campaign to restore its legitimacy after an appeals court ruled it unconstitutional, the City of Carmel must present its long-unfinished Local Coastal Program to the commission next week in San Luis Obispo.

The LCP, due in 1980, will set the ground rules for development, beach access, and protection of natural resources throughout the city for decades to come. After months of negotiation, there is still sharp disagreement between city officials and coastal commission staff members over some key issues. And local officials are grappling with a problem not addressed by the coastal plan: What fate awaits the people whose homes were approved under the old rules but were never built?

"What happens to the people who are in the pipeline?" asked Carmel Mayor Sue

McCloud. "Frankly this escaped everyone's attention. It's an issue we will raise."

Fifteen Carmel homes had been approved before new design rules were adopted in 2001. However, during that time of controversy over the number of older homes being demolished in Carmel, many of the property owners were afraid to go before the coastal commission for their final permits.

At the time, several coastal commissioners encouraged homeowners to wait until the Carmel's LCP was adopted. The city also delayed projects in order to complete the 800-page LCP, which includes a complete revamping of its rules for home design.

Now, city officials hope to offer some guidance to the 15 homeowners left in the no man's land between the old rules and the new rules. McCloud wants some accommodation in the LCP to help these people finally obtain their coastal permits.

After more than a year of negotiating over the specifics of the Land Use Plan — the

first portion of the LCP being reviewed next week — city officials and coastal staffers tried one last time to compromise.

Guided tour didn't help

Coastal planners were taken on a field trip to examine erosion control at the beach and different home designs around town. But the tour didn't resolve disagreements over two remaining hot-button issues: maximum house size and how late beach visitors should be allowed to park on Scenic Road.

The coastal commission staff is pushing to allow parking on Scenic until midnight to maximize access to the beach. The city has long opposed late-night parking on Scenic.

"We have said 10:30 p.m. seems a reasonable time given the fact that all beach fires need to be out by 10 p.m.," McCloud said. "The issue is public safety. We just don't have the police force" to patrol the beach late at night.

The coastal staff is recommending the city cut the maximum house size on a standard, 4,000-square-foot lot from 1,800 square feet to 1,600 square feet.

"We've pretty clearly expressed our reasons for why the building intensity should be 40 percent [of lot size]," said coastal planner Mike Watson. "In our opinion that would

maintain the small scale aspect of Carmel's community character."

McCloud pointed out that the citizens of Carmel have already voted against the idea of requiring smaller homes. "The public has spoken," she said. "My feeling is if it were put up to a vote again, it would be an even greater number" against cutting the size of houses.

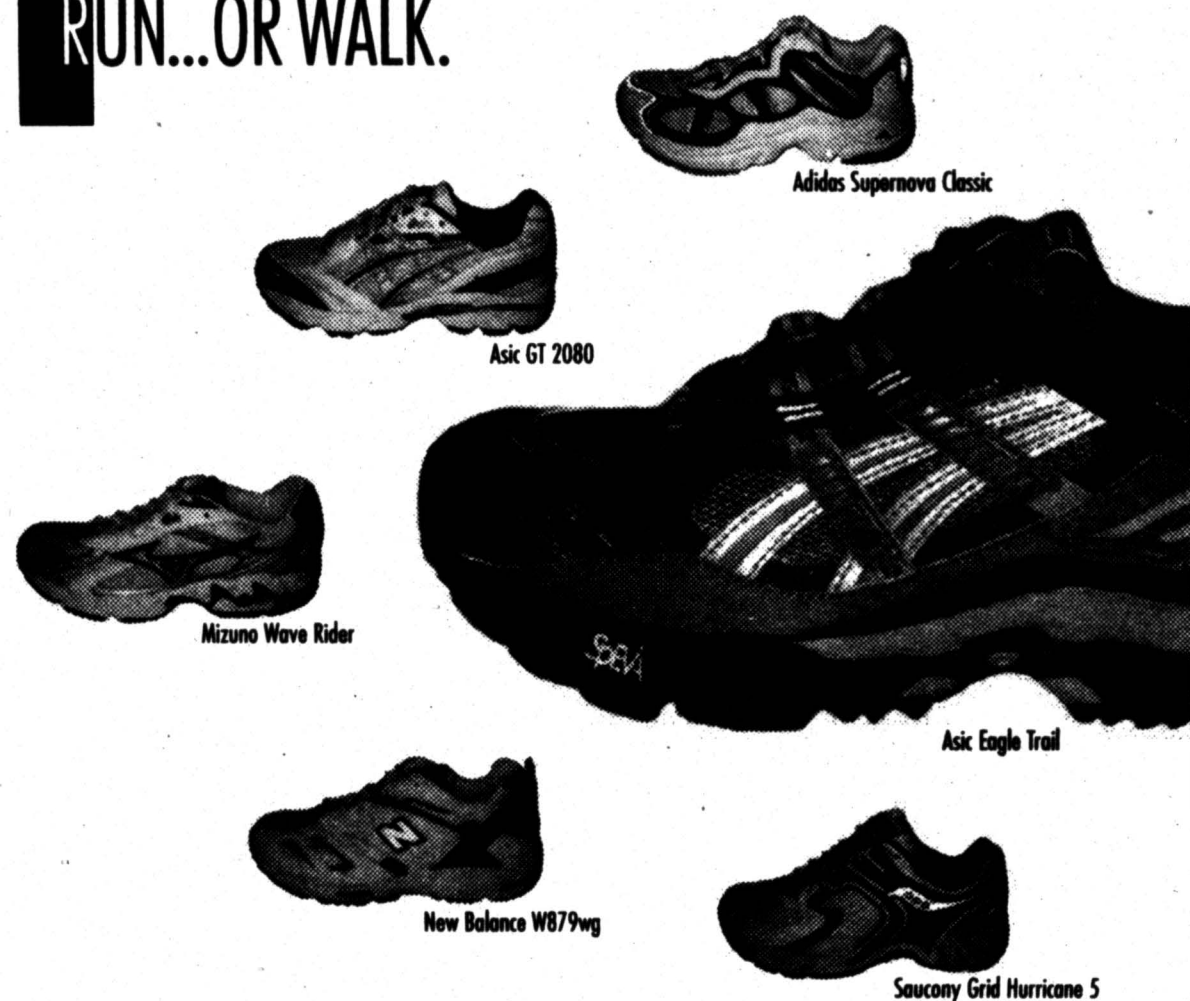
Last month, the city council brought up one more area of disagreement. Members objected to a last-minute prohibition against private water supplies inserted in the LUP by the coastal staff.

Watson said the coastal staff was willing to take out a prohibition against a desalination facility at the request of the city, but maintained that a ban on private water facilities (including wells) should remain in the document.

"If there's a new technology [to supply water] that comes into being down the road, obviously we would entertain that in the form of an LCP amendment at some point in the future," Watson said.

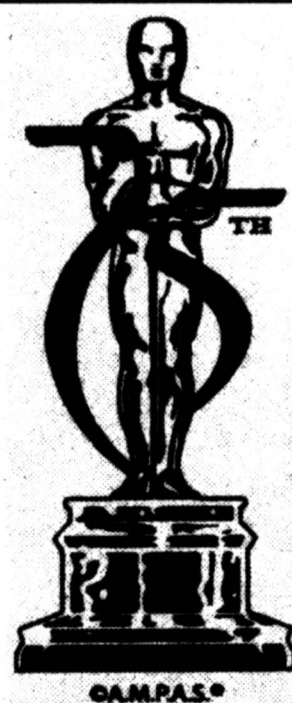
The coastal commission will discuss Carmel's proposed LUP at its March 6 meeting at the Embassy Suites in San Luis Obispo.

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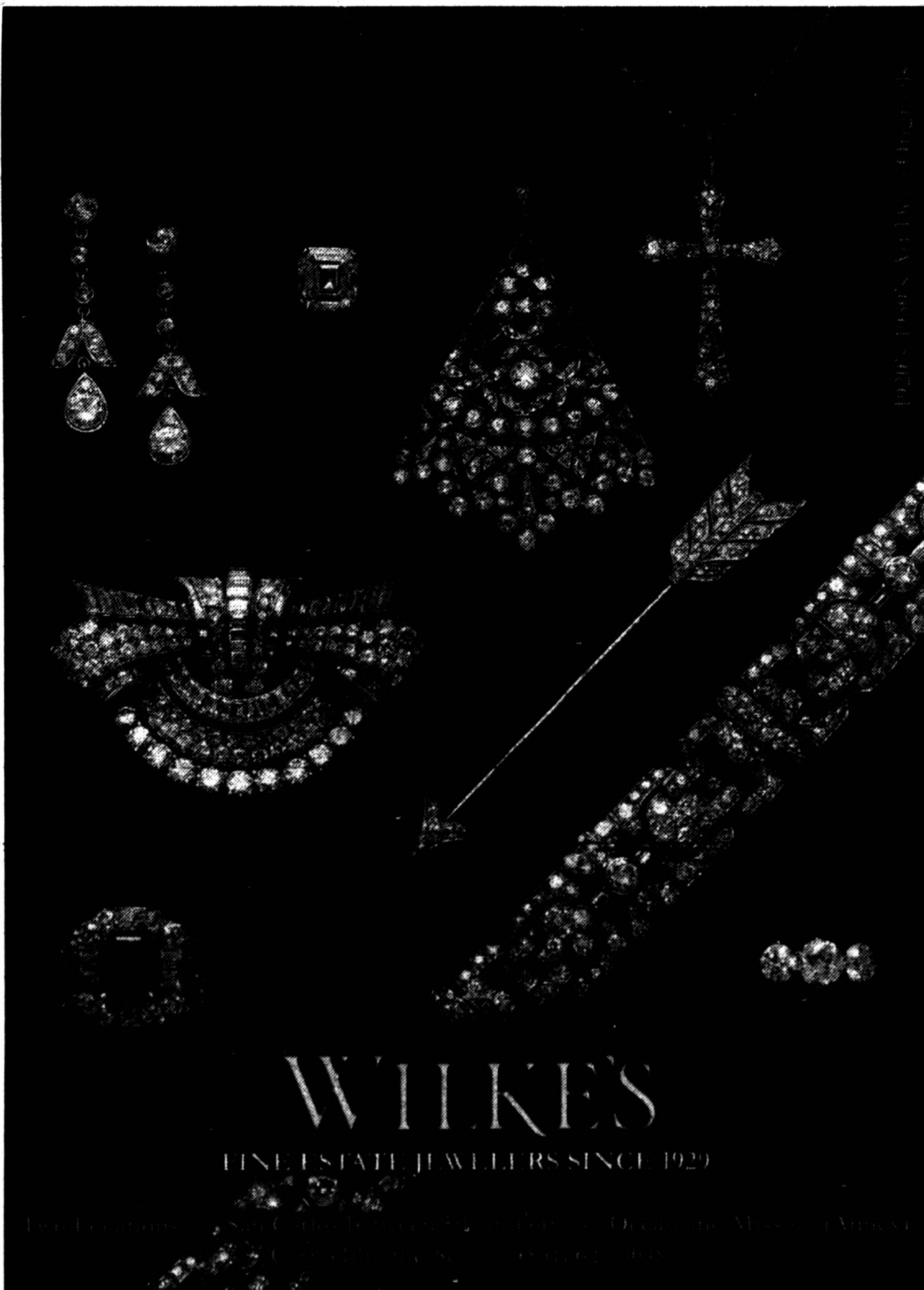
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Church of Wayfarer awaits decision on Pastor Elsea

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AS STATE leaders of the United Methodist Church consider a proposal to replace Pastor Madeline "Madi" Elsea at Church of the Wayfarer, its members remain deeply conflicted over their minister's future.

Four weeks ago, Elsea's husband, Roderick Lee was arrested for allegedly exposing himself in front of teenage girls in Capitola — an event that rocked the church, especially when members learned this was his third indecent exposure arrest.

Since then, two leadership committees have worked to find the best course of action for the church. Facilitator Kibbie Ruth delivered their recommendations to the bishop of the California-Nevada Conference of the United Methodist Church in Sacramento this week, urging that Elsea be granted approximately four months paid leave and ultimately to be removed from the church.

"The breach of trust has eroded her leadership ability resulting in distress so severe, that though forgiveness and reconciliation are possible, Madi's continued effective ministry in this community is unlikely," the recommendation states.

Don Smith, acting lay leader of the church, said members of both the staff parish relations committee and the leadership team agonized over their decisions.

"They have been made with a lot of excruciating emotion and deliberation," Smith said. "There's been a lot of compassion. What the conference is dealing with now is what is best for Pastor Elsea and the church and the community."

Dispute over firing pastor

However, two members of the leadership team said they were shocked to see that the final memo submitted to the bishop called for Elsea to leave the church — a stipulation they said was never included in the original proposal approved by the committee.

Mary Jane Hammerland, a member of the leadership team, wrote a letter to the Methodist Church pointing out several discrepancies between the original letter approved by the committee and the final one.

"I also do not remember the statement appearing in our 'working draft' requesting [Elsea] not be assigned to our church after her 'gift of time for reflection, rest, recovery and restoration' as stated in paragraph two," Hammerland contended. "We absolutely did not say we did not want her to return."

Staff Parish Relations Committee member Rob Colyn agreed the committee did not approve removing Elsea permanently.

But Smith disagreed with those claims. "The letter was composed over two separate meetings," Smith said. "It went through everybody on the committee, word by word, paragraph by paragraph. We all voted on it and nothing changed."

Though the leadership committees agreed Elsea should be housed for the duration of her paid leave, she won't be allowed to stay at the parsonage on Mesa Drive. The Church of the Wayfarer Foundation, owner of the house, decided she must leave, Smith said.

Earlier this week, she was served with a notice to surrender her tenancy within 30 days, Smith said. Lee has already moved out.

Several locals, moved by Elsea's predicament, have already offered help. The Reverend Carl Hansen of All Saints Episcopal Church noted, "there are people at All Saints who can and will provide" a temporary parsonage.

"You have a wonderful pastor and minister to the whole community in the person of Madeline Elsea," Hansen wrote. "I beg you to make your decision based upon the qualities of Rev. Elsea as a person and as a pastor."

The Wayfarer's Sunday school director, Michele Pollock, said the church has heard from as many as 60 people who support Elsea continuing at the church.

At a meeting after services Sunday, both sides of the debate reacted strongly.

"It was a well-attended, heartfelt meeting," said Ken Derrick, the former lay leader. "There were several people who vehemently opposed this and were quite emotional about hoping she would stay."

But more than 70 members and church regulars have written to Bishop Beverly Shamana asking that Elsea leave the church,

according to retired organist Betty Fors.

Many of those people said they were most disturbed that they were never informed of Lee's arrest record and psychological problems when Elsea was appointed pastor in July 2001.

Lee, who reportedly suffers from bipolar disorder, had failed to take his medication before he was cited Jan. 27 in Capitola for

allegedly masturbating in his car in the view of three teenage girls nearby.

During his arraignment earlier this week, Lee pleaded not guilty to indecent exposure.

Meanwhile, the congregation awaits a decision from Bishop Shamana and the cabinet. Some said they expect to hear word at Sunday's service where Elsea is scheduled to preach.

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Police & Sheriff's Log

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HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Tour buses were found off route at Dolores and Ocean. Tour guides were advised of the Carmel Municipal

Code.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Male requested assistance after he was told by the management of a restaurant not to come back. Contact made with the manager, who was upset the male was taking creamers and jelly packets. Advised the male not to return to the establishment until he worked out the problem.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subjects contacted at Mission and Eighth for using a gas leaf blower. They were advised of the code against it and warned that citations would be issued in the future.

Carmel Valley: El Caminito Road resident reported a dispute with his landlord.

Big Sur: Isla Vista resident reported his girlfriend was stranded over the cliff at Willow Creek after she went over the side after her dog had become stranded on the cliff below the

vista point. She was brought back up by tourists with a rope. USFS and Big Sur Fire responded along with the sheriff's office and deputies went over the side and rescued the dog.

Big Sur: Malibu resident reported his cabin on Garrapatos Road entered sometime between mid-November and mid-January.

PRESIDENT'S DAY

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of grand theft from a Sunset Center office. Taken was \$965 in property.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of burglary of a San Carlos art gallery. A window was smashed while the business was closed and \$5,900 in artwork taken.

Carmel Valley: On 02/15/03 at 2130 hours, an unidentified individual attacked a victim with a baseball bat, causing injuries. This occurred at an unknown address on El Caminito Road.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject arrived at the station to request assistance with regards to

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15 "As Time Goes By" choreographer

20 They may be in the 90's

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28 Flying start?

29 Stocking cap, for example

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39 Start of joke #2

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47 Wasn't straight

48 Perform like 46-Across

49 Old-fashioned adventure

50 Blockheads

51 Paranoid's fear

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72 Like heroes, often

73 Empty promises

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96 Command to a wayward child

99 Leader in ancient Rome

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115 Act smitten

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7 Ballpark figs.

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11 Near mid-millennium year

12 Available for work

13 Heat up in a hurry

14 Futurist, of sorts

15 HBO competitor

16 Give heed

17 Paid the penalty

18 Have roots

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24 Frank Sinatra's birthplace

25 Court figures

30 Like some low-cost housing
- 31 Knock about

33 Director Meyer

34 Lead __-and-dog life (constantly quarrel)

35 Actor Billy of "Titanic"

36 Dockworkers' org.

38 Towel site

39 Lbs. and kgs.

40 Jazz (up)

41 Whatever the case

42 Colombo product

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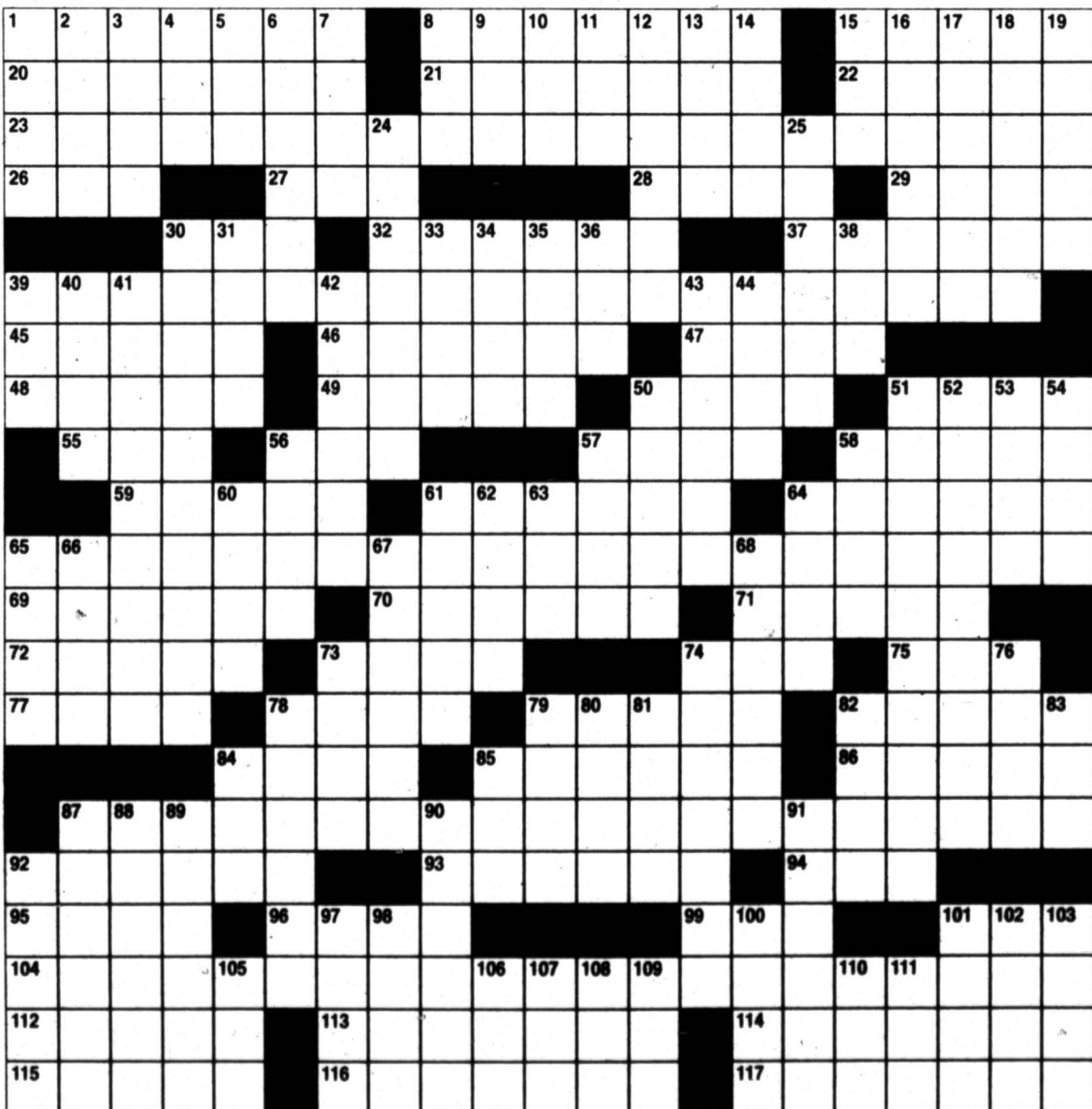
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80 Oscar nominee for a song in "The Lord of the Rings"

81 Unwanted look
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89 Informed about
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91 Right in the Forum

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101 Support when one shouldn't

102 Title role in a Cole Porter musical
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105 What a waiting time may seem

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Court rules Monterey attorney can be held for grand theft

By MARY BROWNFIELD

MONTEREY ATTORNEY Dennis Fox will face charges of grand theft at a trial set for April 21, Superior Court Judge Gary Meyer ruled Feb. 25 after a defense attorney moved to have the whole case dismissed.

Attorney Larry Biegel had asked the court to review information presented at a preliminary hearing months ago in which Judge Terrance Duncan found sufficient evidence to charge Fox with grand theft.

Biegel admitted Fox erred when he failed to advise Central Coast Hospice Foundation it was due \$1.2 million from the trust of deceased Pacific Grove resident Dorothy Trace, but said his client should have been specifically charged with embezzlement rather than grand theft by embezzlement.

"[Deputy district attorney Joe] Buckalew correctly points out there is a crime, but it's not 487," he said, referring to the California Penal Code section for grand theft. "There is a crime when a trustee violates his fiduciary duty to a beneficiary — that's PC 506."

Biegel also asked the judge to throw out the enhancement filed against Fox which could result in doubling the jail sentence since the embezzlement exceeds \$1 million.

He argued that while the Trace Trust funds were dumped into a limited liability company of which Fox was a minimal partner (holding less than half a percent of its value), Fox never actually took the assets for himself. The Pebble Beach house Fox purchased with the money was always kept in the name of Marcheta Lane LLC with Trace Trust as the principal owner, he argued.

"I don't think you can say in this case for purposes of the enhancement that there was an actual taking," he said. "This money should have been turned over to Hospice, granted, but it was never taken by Mr. Fox."

Biegel also said Dorothy Trace could not be considered a victim since she died before the questionable actions took place.

"This is a case which, as a matter of law, needs to be dismissed, and then the People are left with the remedy of law, which is to refile," Biegel concluded.

Buckalew said he found Biegel's arguments "interesting and intriguing," but told the judge they "dripped with sophistry."

Filing charges under the more general grand theft statute was legally defensible although a more specific section might apply, he argued, cautioning the court against following Biegel's "red herring."

"He used it [\$1.2 million] for his own use, even though he was keeping it nominally in the name of the trust," he said. "Embezzlement is the deprivation, even temporary, of the owner's rightful assets."

As for the enhancement, Buckalew said, the prosecution does not need to show an actual "taking" of the cash.

In his ruling from the bench, Judge Meyer said, "With each deception, I can see the gripping struggle between the largely good and honorable Mr. Fox and the less so."

He found Trace was indeed a victim of Fox's alleged failure to meet her final wishes, and ruled the defendant could be held to answer on the grand theft charge.

"Mr. Fox presents the delusion that it's not a theft — that it was just being held and

would be given back," he said. But each day Fox held the money, the judge concluded, it became harder for him to return the cash because of the delay.

"The evidence introduced at the preliminary hearing is sufficient for a holding order," he concluded. "The motion is denied."



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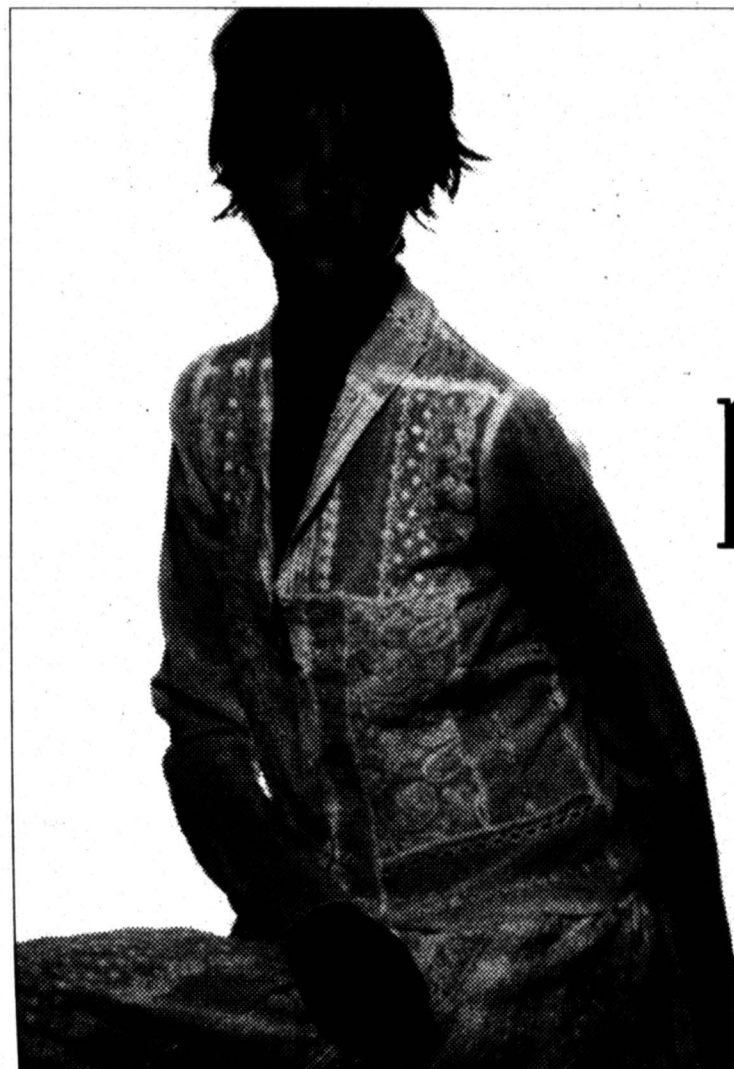
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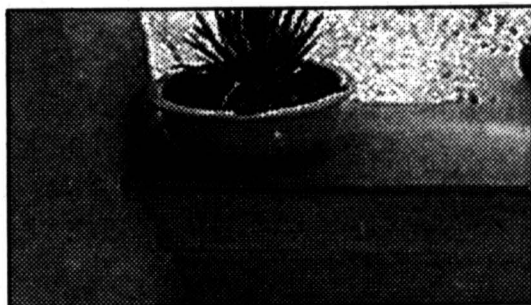
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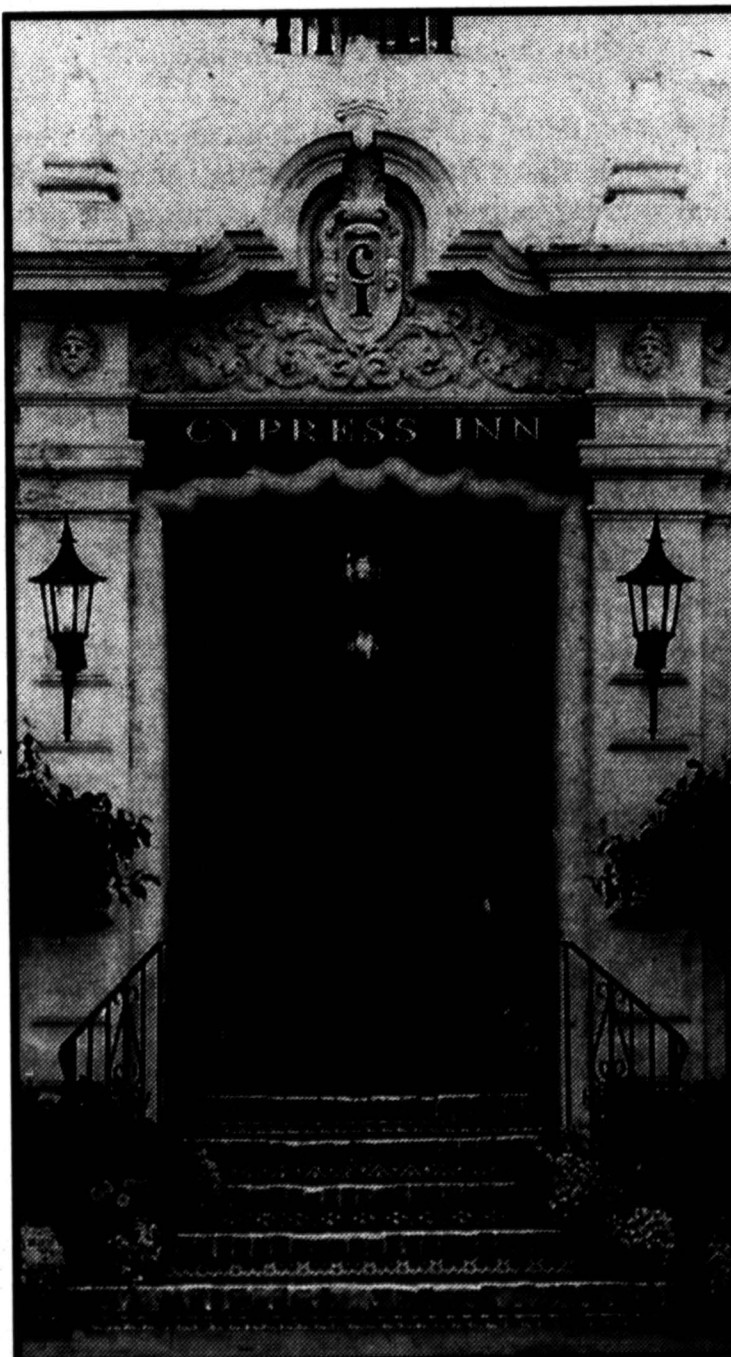
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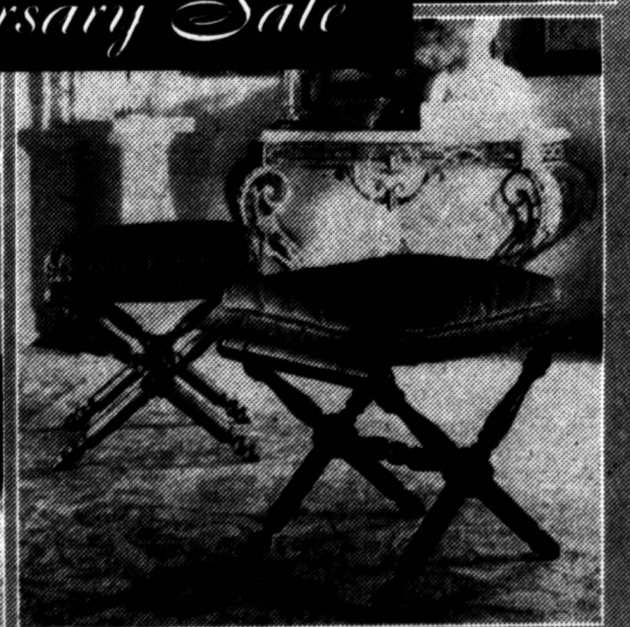
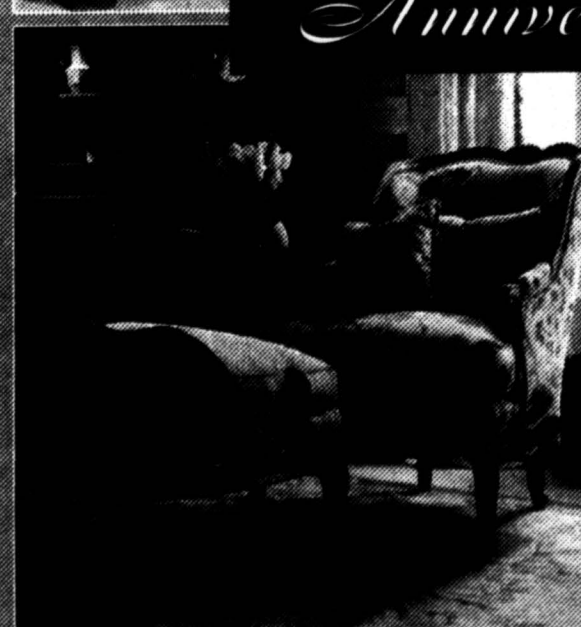
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Board votes for better cell phone service on Highway 1

By MARY BROWNFIELD

AT&T WIRELESS can fill some cellular telephone service gaps along Highway 1 south of Carmel, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors unanimously decided Feb. 25. The vote contradicted the recommendation of planner Julie Radoman, who said the board should deny the permit because the three cell sites would affect the view, even though the equipment would be added to the sides and tops of existing telephone poles.

As a member of the Joint Pole Association — a group of 34 utility and communications companies that pitch in to maintain utility poles — AT&T representative Chris Durand told the board the company has the right to apply to add equipment to them. The three poles in question were specifically designed to host wireless carriers, according to Radoman's report.

A county zoning administrator approved the permits last November to install cell phone equipment at Ribera Road, Riley Ranch Road and Yankee Point Drive, but Highway 1 resident August Louis appealed that decision to the board.

"We've chosen poles that do not in any way impact the view to the coastline," Durand said. Some of the antennae will be mounted on 2-to-10-foot-tall extensions atop the existing telephone poles, while equipment boxes will be attached to the sides. AT&T changed the color of the equipment at the zoning administrator's bidding.

Stone Age communications

Highlands resident James Rossen, a member of the Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District board of directors, said cell phone service in the area needs all the help it can get.

"We have a severe problem in any major natural disaster in that our electricity, telephone and highway commonly don't work," he said. In case of disasters, residents use battery-powered CB radios, "taking us back almost to the Stone Age in communications," he said.

But Louis said the new service would only help people along Highway 1 and that the zoning administrator's concession to the need for technology was wrong.

"It's not whether we all need, want and use cell phones, it's how we locate the sites," Louis said at the hearing. "And locating them directly in the viewshed, I'm convinced the sites were picked for the ability to cover the roadway, not with regard to view impact."

Increasing clutter

According to Radoman's report, the additional equipment on the three poles would violate the Carmel Area Land Use Plan because it would "increase clutter" in the viewshed.

Disagreeing, 5th District Supervisor Dave Potter suggest-

ed the land use plan was created too long ago to anticipate how small equipment would become.

"When the LUP was written, it was a different technological world: There were large antennas and satellite dishes," he said. "What's before us are three sites that utilize existing structures and are not in the viewshed. It's insignificant development with significant bang for the buck."

The rest of the board agreed, voting 5-0 to deny Louis' appeal. At the suggestion of county administrative officer Sally Reed, supervisors also directed staff to update the area's land use plan.

"I don't want to appear to be minimizing viewshed impacts in Big Sur, where they even find speed limit signs objectionable," Potter said, but the plan should be changed.

DESAL

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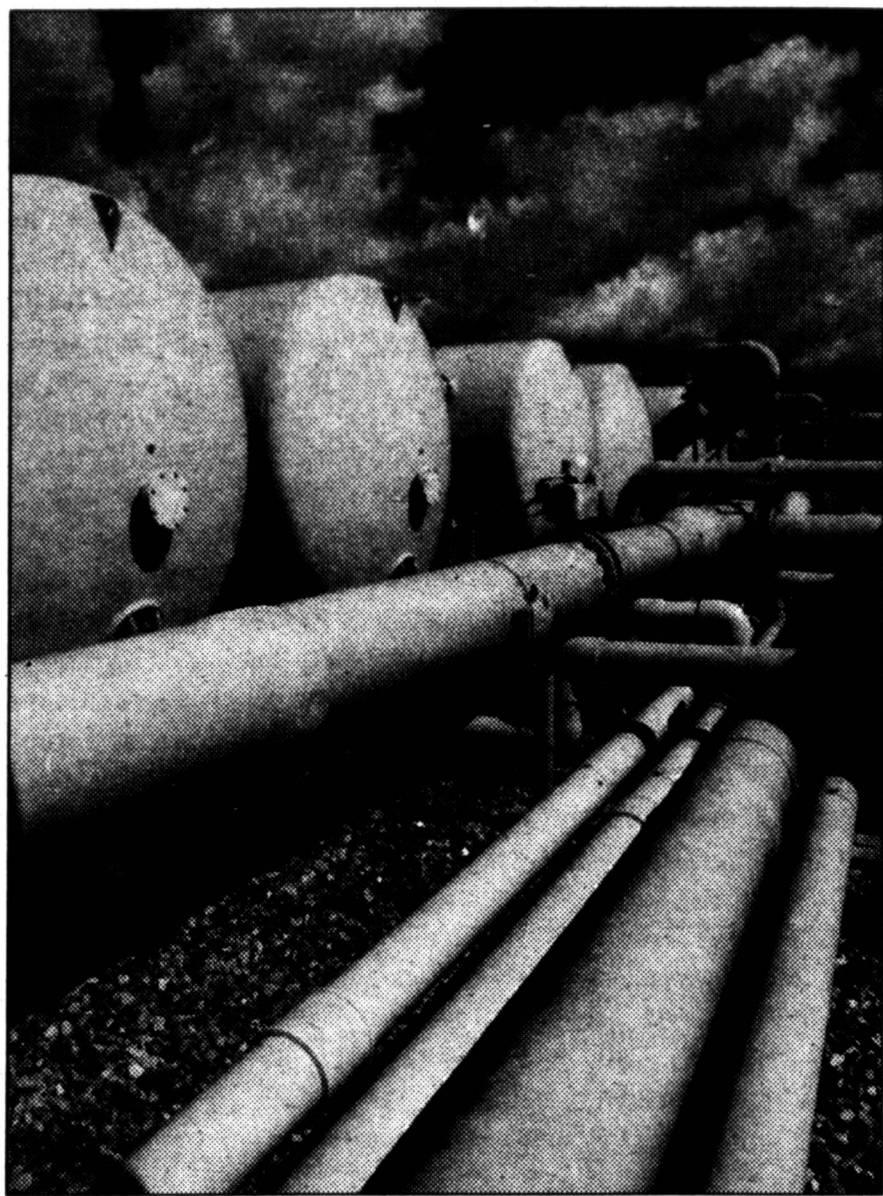
1991. They also voted to join eight other public agencies in building a \$500 million connection to the State Water Project.

"They had turned down the State Water Project in 1978 quite resoundingly during a period where there was no shortage," recalled Hatch, whose firm, Hatch & Parent, has been at the forefront of water law for more than 30 years. "But during the drought, they saw the need for it. People were painting their lawns green and there was a considerable amount of economic loss as a result of that drought."

But the return of rain meant Santa Barbara residents never used any desalinated water. This year marks the eighth year in a row of above-average rainfall in central California.

The desal plant was completed in March 1992, but other than a test run to work out the bugs, it remains unused and currently sits in "long-term storage mode," meaning its movable, maintenance-intensive parts have been removed, according to Mack.

Hatch recalled the plant's initial product — water reduced



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Santa Barbara's desalination plant isn't running now, but if it were, these pipes and tanks would support the first step, removing sand and sealife from water piped in from the ocean.

to a salinity of 1,100 parts per million — had an adverse effect on trees and golf courses, "and tasted like partially desalted water."

Giving it another pass through the membrane to cut the salinity to 600 ppm would have cost more money, he said.

"Having proved it worked, they then decommissioned it because we had enough water and the State Water Project connection — by then approved — was also being constructed," Hatch said.

The \$500 million, 42-mile pipeline from the 102-mile Coastal Branch of the state aqueduct was completed in 1997; Santa Barbara took its first delivery of state water last year.

Meanwhile, Goleta and Montecito backed out of the desal plant, and the city sold half the plant's treatment modules in 2000 to reduce the capacity to 3,000 acre-feet a year.

"The State Water Project involves mostly fixed capital costs, which you have to pay whether you use the water or not," Mack said, explaining the city's choice to keep the plant out of action.

It's the startup costs of a desal plant that can be prohibitive, Mack warned, since finding a location, undertaking environmental studies, getting permits and building all present challenges. Santa Barbara's plant is located in the industrial area downtown, not too far from the shore.

"I think desal can be done at a lower cost now, but a lot of it depends on the site cost," he said. "A small cost is the actual desalination part; it's acquiring the land, getting the facilities to get the water to the desal facility, pretreatment costs, disposal costs of the brine and connection to a distribution system — all those can be substantial."

"But if you can get a pretty good deal on energy," Mack said, "desalination looks pretty good these days."

The abundance of seawater makes desalination an alluring prospect for any coastal community, Hatch said.

"One of the advantages people have living next to the ocean is they have a potential source of potable water, which will be increasingly important over the next 20 years," he said. "Fresh stream sources are getting harder and harder to capture and use, so it's an alternative that has to be looked at by any coastal city in need of water."

But that same water wealth can have a downside, he cautioned.

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Carmel River School students (from left) Blyth and Sabrina Barrymore and Jessica Geronimo are hoping the public will buy tickets to their school raffle in a big way. The child who sells the most raffle tickets will win an ice cream party donated by Albertson's. For complete information, call Carmel River School at 624-4609.

PRIZE DRAWING, MISSION RANCH HOEDOWN TO BENEFIT RIVER SCHOOL

By KIRSTIE WILDE

RIVER SCHOOL parents are hopping mad about the gigantic school budget cuts threatened by Governor Gray Davis. But rather than sit around crying, they are getting busy raising money with a Spring Hoedown and raffle at Mission Ranch.

Clint and Dina Eastwood have donated use of the ranch for the March 29 event. And raffle tickets to help support the school will be available for purchase through March 17.

Silent auction chair Rebecca Barrymore hopes people will spend generously on the raffle tickets, to help the school through the biggest budget cuts ever proposed for the Carmel Unified School District.

"I'm so angry at Gray Davis and this

screwed-up state," she told The Pine Cone. "These budget cuts [\$11 million out of the district's \$27 million budget] will devastate our schools. The political situation is so horrible, we desperately need the community's support to raise money."

Area businesses have donated some impressive raffle prizes, including a 42-inch plasma flat-screen TV, cruises and vacations in Mexico, Las Vegas and Disneyland; a Dell Inspiron Notebook computer; and several other items.

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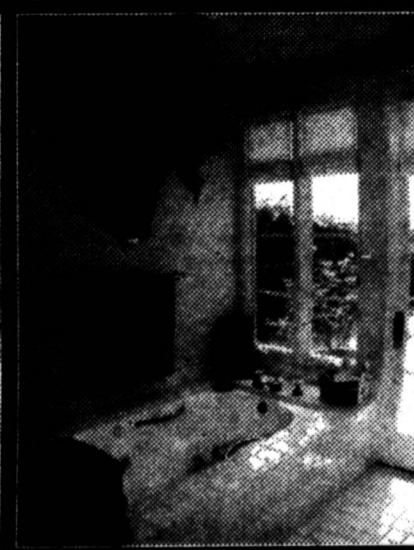
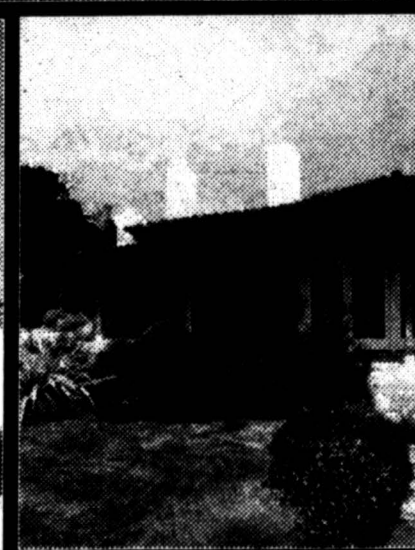
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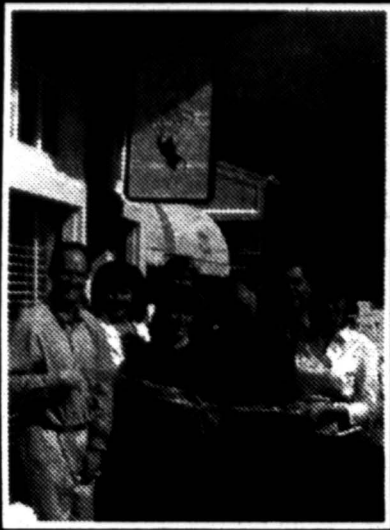
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President's Message:

Where We Are Headed

By Larry Hoover, CBA President

When outlining where CBA is headed, it is important to look at where we have come from. I became a Board Member of CBA six years ago because I truly believed in the value of the association. A business community that works together towards one goal can accomplish so much more than any one individual business. I am proud to say I still feel that way today. I have never seen a more dedicated hard working board than that of the current CBA. I am especially pleased to see the direction and accomplishments of both the board and the CBA Staff in the last two years. As most of you are aware, the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea has invested in the marketing of the 93921 area for the past several years. Along with those dollars, the CBA has also contributed money, in-kind donations, as well as countless hours, both volunteer and staff, to oversee the program. We continue to do just that. This year the marketing and advertising program has taken on a fresh new approach. We have hired a new agency and are incorporating a cleaner look to our ad campaigns, radio promotions and web page. We have a very qualified marketing committee that directs the program, ensuring that the City's investment is spent with the best possible opportunity to promote 93921. All of our efforts are focused on bringing the visitor to Carmel-by-the-Sea and serving their needs during their stay. Combined, the advertising program, the CBA Visitor Center, Visitor Kiosk and Guide to Carmel impact to both the visitor and our businesses in a very positive manner. The CBA has been and continues to support the community. This year, our efforts to bring visitors into town during the AT&T Pro/Am were a big success. The CBA works hard at keeping Carmel-by-the-Sea top of mind with the visitor as well as providing marketing opportunities for our membership so they in turn can be more successful. It is the team effort between the two that will create the greater accomplishment. Continued partnership with the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea along with a successful business community is the focus of the CBA as we look ahead.

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March Mixer

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Thanks to Generous Members!

Thanks to generous members, the February mixer was fun and exciting. Our thanks go out to our host Fingerhut Gallery, and door prize donors Amanda, Carmel Bistro, Dr. Lebus, Fingerhut Gallery, Gerry's Boutique, Monterey Peninsula Guide and Travel Bag. We would also like to thank A Haven Day Spa for the lovely January mixer donation. Thanks to one and all!

Calendar of Events March 2003

- 2/20-3/9 "MEDEA", Golden Bough Theater; 622-0100
2/28-3/3 "Way of the World" Staff Players Repertory Co., Carmel, 624-1531
3/6-4/2 Gallery Showcase & Diane Wolcott, Carmel Art Association, 624-6176
3/1-31 The Jazz and Blues Co.; Call for March programs 624-3432
3/5-30 "PROOF", Carmel, Circle Theater; 622-0100
3/8 Distant Oaks at Tor House, Carmel, 624-1813
3/8 Carmel Art Association Opening Reception, 624-6176
3/12 CBA Mixer, Homescaping Carmel, 5:00-7:00; 624-2522
3/16-18 Monterey Symphony Concert V, PG Middle School; 624-8511
3/17-21 Children's Experimental Theatre Break Sessions, 624-4531
3/24-28 Reading at the Carl Cherry Foundation, Carmel, 624-7491
3/20 Carmel Music Society - Voice Competition, Golden Bough Theater; 625-9938
3/22 Vegetarian Cooking Demo, Bernardus Lodge; 658-3400
3/23 75th Academy Awards Celebration, Monterey Co. Film Commission, 646-0910
3/24 Harrison Memorial Library Lecture Series, Carmel, 624-1615
& 3/31 CBA Board Meeting, Carmel, 8:00AM. Il Fornaio; 624-2522
3/27 CPR & First Aid Training, American Red Cross, Carmel, 624-6921
3/28 Monterey Co. Hospitality Assoc. Annual Dinner, 624-9035
3/29 Spring Floral Design, Carmel Valley, Chateau Julien 1:00-4:00, 624-2600

Membership Meeting

The B.I.D. committee will soon complete their task and plan to make their presentation to the City Council at the April 1 meeting. On March 18th at our General Membership Meeting, the CBA hopes to provide a forum to help answer questions about the B.I.D. The Membership Meeting will be held at La Playa Hotel in the Carmel Room at 8:00 a.m. Hope to see you there.

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The AT&T Shuttle was a huge success! We sold 1699 shuttle tickets from the Kiosk, for a ridership increase of 65% over last year. These riders, along with the overnight visitors, helped to increase the number of people in town for the Thursday through Sunday period. A follow-up survey, with 65 businesses in Carmel-by-the-Sea responding, showed 75% of restaurants were up, 64% of lodging establishments were up, and 56% of retail businesses were either up or the same compared to last year's event. We still have far to go in turning this event into the economy boost for everyone that it can be. We'll continue to work each year until we can get everyone feeling the raise in sales! This event would not have been possible without the many volunteers who worked endlessly to greet, guide, and serve the riders. We'd like to thank those awesome volunteers from Carriage House Inn, Central Coast Adventures, Chateau Julien Wine Estate, Coachman's Inn, Exotic Fine Art, Forge in the Forest, Fresh Produce, Inns by the Sea, March Hare-Aveda Concept Salon, Monterey County Bank, Nest, Resort II Me, Rio Grill, Robertson's Antiques, The Gem Restaurant, The Mitchell Group, Thinker Toys, Village Corner.

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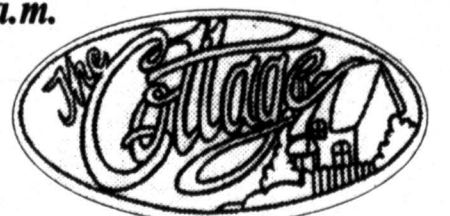
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Commission boots Joe Hertlein amid protests

By TAMARA GRIPPI

AFTER LISTENING to a report from two of its commissioners raising serious concerns about Carmel Valley Land Use Advisory Committee chairman Joe Hertlein — followed by testimony from a crowd of speakers overwhelmingly supporting him — the Monterey County Planning Commission seemed torn about his fate.

Ultimately, the balance tipped against Hertlein at the Feb. 26 meeting and the commission voted 6-4 to remove him.

County planning commissioners Martha Diehl and John Brennan presented their colleagues with a 19-page report detailing how Hertlein had breached the rules by discussing projects outside the meetings and by using his position to take a stand on projects at other public meetings.

Hertlein defended himself, explaining that he has tried to be responsive to the developers and applicants who call him.

"If at times I may have bent the rules or violated the rules, it's because so many applicants have called me," Hertlein said. "I've tried to help them with the concerns they have and how we can work with staff to get these things addressed."

But Diehl told the commission that by getting involved with applicants, Hertlein was violating the rules that govern land use advisory committees.

"I have told him on several occasions that he should respond [to an applicant's calls] by following the rules and direct the applicant to the project planner, which I do myself," Diehl said.

Some of Hertlein's fellow LUAC members told the com-



PHOTO/TAMARA GRIPPI

Joe Hertlein

mission that the problem is not with Hertlein, but with a set of rules that essentially ties the hands of committee members.

"You have the power and authority to change things, to fix what needs fixing," said CVLUAC member Tom Oliver. "It's not Joe Hertlein. It's the system of communication between your organization and our LUACs."

Planning commissioner Lawrence Hawkins, who is heading up a subcommittee reevaluating all the current rules and guidelines governing the LUACs, suggested Hertlein should be able to remain on the committee at least until the that process is finished.

Though a majority of the commissioners appeared to support Hawkins' proposal, he lost two votes when he revised his motion to allow Hertlein to simply stay.

Rude interruption

Some of the commissioners said they were disturbed by the way Hertlein acted at a planning commission meeting last fall when he interrupted the attorney of an applicant during his presentation.

"That was rude and when he did it he identified himself as a member of the LUAC," said commissioner John Wilmot.

Hertlein told The Pine Cone. "I've already apologized. I wrote a letter of apology to the entire commission. I made a mistake and asked for forgiveness. Let's move on."

After learning that Hertlein had been fired, fellow

Sparks fly over Rippling River

By MARY BROWNFIELD

ANIMOSITY PERVADED the atmosphere at a Feb. 24 meeting of Rippling River residents and the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey, which runs the public housing project in Carmel Valley.

Far from reaching consensus on how to fix an estimated \$7.3 million worth of problems while ensuring the happiness of Rippling River's elderly, disabled and low-income residents, the evening was punctuated by heckling and grumbling, with the two sides charging each other with inaction and lack of cooperation.

The housing authority board of commissioners will ultimately decide whether to fix the place — though it lacks the funds — or abandon the 79 units and move the residents elsewhere. The debate arose after the agency revealed it could not afford to fix Rippling River's old buildings without sacrificing maintenance of its 615 other public housing units in the county.

To help answer that question and come up with alternatives, the board created the Rippling River Focus Group, made up of occupants, valley residents and some housing authority staff, last August. On Monday the group submitted a report accusing the housing authority of inflating costs and being unwilling to consider any options other than relocating the residents.

See **RIPPLING RIVER** on page 8 of the Real Estate section

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CVLUAC member Glenn Robinson sent a letter of resignation to Diehl and Brennan.

"As you must know everything you accuse Joe of doing was done with the permission of the CVLUAC or was consistent with a recommendation we had made," Robinson wrote.

Another member, Margaret Robbins, resigned after Diehl and Brennan's report was released, Robinson said.

Hertlein won't be able to appeal the planning commission's decision to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors because the planning commission holds the appointing authority over the LUACs, said chief assistant planning director Alana Knaster.

Hertlein said that after being "sacked," he's freer now to talk and engage in community concerns "while I don't have to be constrained as chairman."

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INDIA

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a seventh grader at Carmel Middle School, and her dad have already returned to the villages twice, each time bringing more relief for the kids.

This year 12-year-old Kimberly raised \$6,000 through donations and was able to feed 5,200 children. She has also started a mission to fill stark Indian classrooms with basic school supplies.

The village schools typically have one chalkboard, only enough chalk for the teacher and no desks or chairs. The kids usually sit on cement bags, Kimberly said.

The youngster convinced some teachers at Tularcitos and Carmel Middle School to set up bins in their classrooms to collect pens, pencils and erasers. This year, she was able to bring scissors, rulers, glue and paper.

During their trips, the Burwashes have also reached out to one family in particularly dire circumstances. "Their housing was really bad until Food for Life helped them," Kimberly explained.

Now the eight children and their mother live in a two-room concrete structure built by the nonprofit. The mother, who was struggling to support her family after her husband died of malaria, now has a job with Food for Life.

With the help of a translator, Kimberly has become good friends with the Indian family's oldest daughter, Junta, 13.

Kimberly described her friend as a "real-

ly giving person" in spite of the fact that she lives in such harsh conditions and has little to give.

Last year the Burwashes brought new clothes for each of the children in the family. This year they brought pots and pans, plates, flour, and watches for the two oldest girls, who are just learning how to tell time.

"The mother of the family is in such pain," said Peter Burwash. "When we got to the hut this time, she kissed Kimberly on the forehead and then kissed her on the feet," a gesture usually reserved for saints.

Burwash, a former professional tennis player who has visited India dozens of times over the years, is inspired by his daughter's compassion. He still remembers Kimberly's perseverance on the first trip. "It was 140 degrees and here's my 10-year-old daughter serving food hour after hour."

Kimberly is so beloved in some of the villages that the children have taken to chanting, "Kimberly, Kimberly, Kimberly."

The Burwashes are pleased they've been able to help Food for Life improve the schools. Some of the money Kimberly raised last year will go to build a well to supply running water for a new school to serve 500 children.

Worlds apart

In villages where tradition dictates men eat first, the Burwashes were delighted to hold an "all female feast" that instead honored the adage, "ladies first."

The men and boys were standing around

outside looking somewhat bewildered, Burwash said.

Kimberly and her dad also had fun handing out 1,000 miniature mirrors to the children, most of whom had never seen their reflections before.

Though she's just returned from her most recent trip to India, Kimberly is already thinking about next year. "I feel like I just got back from doing something incredibly great and I don't want to come home. I've already asked my dad if we can go back next year."

The Burwashes have been touched by the letters and phone calls they've received from people wanting to get involved. People and businesses, including Wilson Sporting Goods, have been very generous.

Every donation goes toward buying food, clothing, school supplies and other necessities for the villagers, said Burwash, noting that he pays for all the travel expenses.

In April the Burwashes plan to bring Rupa Paolinelli, the founder of Food for Life, to the Monterey Peninsula to talk about the great need in India.

Kimberly and her dad are grateful for the chance to actually do something about India's terrible poverty.

"India is so populated that people sleep



PHOTO/COURTESY PETER BURWASH

Kimberly Burwash dishes out *subji*, a kind of spicy rice and vegetable stew to hungry children at a remote village 200 miles south-east of Delhi.

eight to 10 in a room," Burwash said. "Most of the homes have no doors. When the monsoons come they literally wipe out the houses. They've got cobras everywhere."

"It's great for Kimberly to see the rest of the world isn't Carmel Valley," said Burwash.

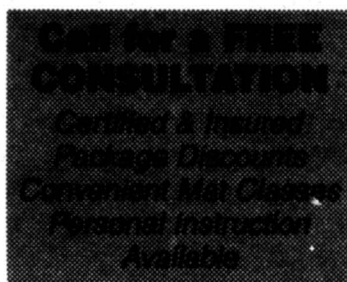
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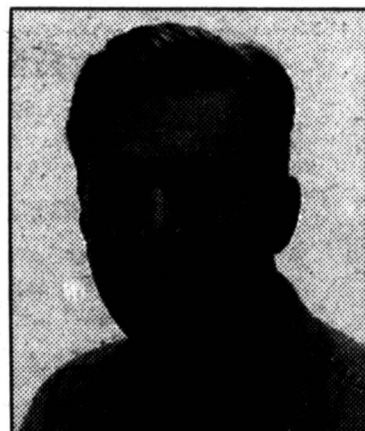


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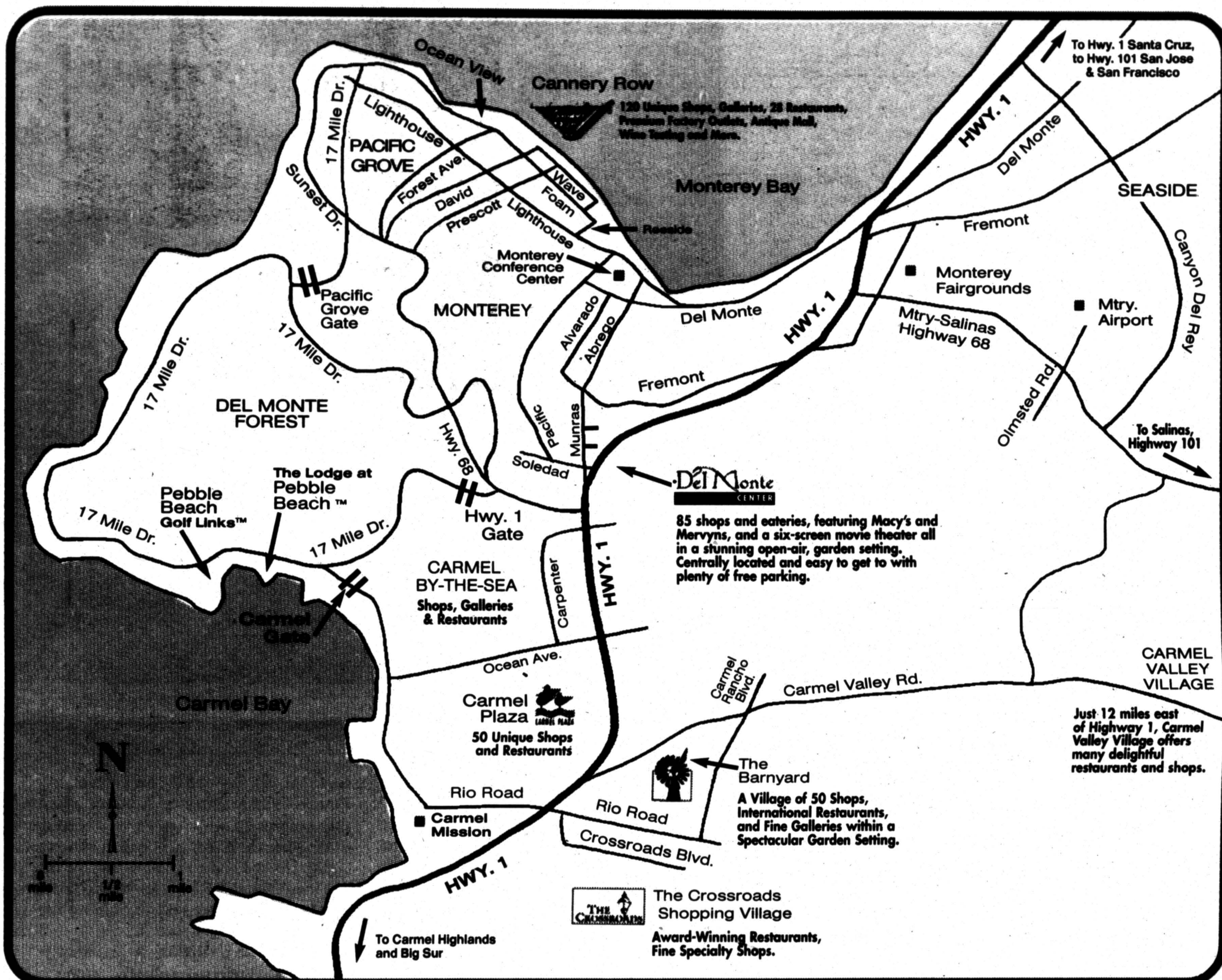
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The Central Coast premiere of David Auburn's "Proof," a much-lauded drama that bowed on Broadway in 2001, is planned by Pacific Repertory Theatre. A half-price preview will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, followed by the opening at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6, in the Circle Theatre, Casanova between Eighth and Ninth, Carmel. For tickets, call 622-0100.

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'Medea's' strength endures

By DEBORAH SHARP

ROBINSON JEFFERS' 1945 adaptation of Euripides' "Medea" has returned to Carmel. The tale, which pits the desperately angry Medea against her estranged husband, Greek hero Jason, was adapted by Jeffers from the original tragedy on the suggestion of Dame Judith Anderson, actress and friend of the poet. When Anderson performed it on Broadway in 1947 and later and around the world, the play received critical acclaim. Anderson presented excerpts from it at the Forest Theater in 1971, fellow Australian actress Zoe Caldwell won a Tony Award for her 1982 performance of it, and Pacific Repertory staged it at the Forest Theater in 1984.

theater review

Jeffers' adaptation gives us characters more transparent, and therefore more sympathetic, than their ancient counterparts: Medea agonizes over her terrible decision; Jason doesn't understand that he is trapped by his own "rational" convictions; and Medea's faithful nurse has the intuition to guess at Medea's plan and the wisdom to know her knowledge is futile.

The cast assembled by Obie award-winning director Joseph Chaikin for this production at Carmel's Golden Bough playhouse is more than equal to these difficult roles. Soon after Julia Brothers appears as Medea, we know through her eyes and voice that she is capable of all that her nurse fears. Brothers'



Julia Brothers and Stephen Moorer portray the estranged, doomed Medea and Jason.

eyes can shoot steel, and her voice has the capacity to drop powerfully into a lower register of pure will. Her dark hair and eyes and low-cut costumes of reds and purples accentuate her passionate intensity and Asiatic foreignness in Corinth. In contrast to the moderate and "reasonable" Greeks she finds herself among, Medea is seen as a dark force. Brothers' Medea is capable of fawning meekly before her enemies in order to get what she wants. But always just below the surface, and frequently spilling over when she is free to let down her guard, is revenge bordering on madness.

Brothers makes all this real and makes us care about Medea, to boot. Her tenderness toward her children is just as real as her

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WHAT: Conrad Selvig directs Donald Margulies' 2000 Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "Dinner with Friends." The cast features, from left, John Affinito, Maggie Grant, Carol Daly and Skip Kadish, who play best friends in New England.

WHEN: 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays through March 23.

WHERE: Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, Fourth and Guadalupe, Carmel

COST: All seats \$15

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MONTEREY OPERA CONNECTS WITH LOCAL ITALIANS

WITH LAST year's fundraiser for the annual Festa d'Italia being a sellout, thanks to its great opera program — courtesy of the Monterey Opera Association — the success of this year's event was a given. Held at the Monterey Conference Center, the place was packed with opera lovers, both Italian and non . . . Kitty Ragsdale came with her cousin, Anthony Ferrante, and his sister, Rose Ferrante, along with Charles & Nadine Evans . . . Erasmo Aiello of Palermo Bakery, was one of the major angels for the event, both in money and labor. He normally sings too, but after recent throat surgery, he was advised to rest his voice a bit . . . Diane Cutino didn't dare miss the festa, being close friends with one of the sopranos,

Elise Rotchford . . . Betty Canter and Elinor Lonhart often go up to the city to get their opera fix . . . Sharon Christensen took time away from law school homework to attend with author/hubby Sven . . . Ron Weitzman's daughter Leora used to play violin with Shirley Thomas' daughter Terry in the Lyceum program. Now Terry's a pediatrician back East. Sharon's hubby Donald, better known as the Honorable Judge, caught up with former fellow attorney Dennis Powell & wife Jean . . . Others seen: Flo Snyder, Donna Jett, Don & Jackie Craghead, United Way's Mary Adams, Morley Brown, Dale Lefler, Jim & Nancy McFeeters, Larry & Florence Horan and De Illiff.

► Morley Brown had a chance to catch up with Kitty Ragsdale at the Monterey Opera fundraiser for the annual Festa d'Italia.



▲ Emmy-winning actress and local Barbara Babcock attended the Tor House-sponsored gala opening for "Medea" at Pacific Repertory Theatre.



Erasmo Aiello, Diane Cutino, Elise Rotchford and Ron Weitzman were part of the Monterey Opera aficionado crowd for the Festa d'Italia fundraiser.

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Pine Needles

By Sissi Maleki

Those over 60, do anything and everything for free, effectively running a small county's economy with relatively less bureaucracy and far fewer white elephants being fed. (Only locals' political diplomacy leaves something to be desired.)

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Tor House hosts gala opening for PacRep

The Robinson Jeffers Tor House Foundation hosted the gala opening for the Greek tragedy, "Medea," staged by Pacific Repertory Theatre at the Golden Bough . . . Tor House's Alex Vardamis & wife Fran chatted with Emmy-winning actress and local Barbara Babcock, who admitted settling back in her hometown was "a long process." Her local roots go back to her mother, Jadwiga Babcock, who performed in the original Golden Bough Theatre, which later burned down. What was the most dramatic change for Barbara after living in

L.A.? "I can breathe!" she exclaimed . . . Emmy-winning director Lamont Johnson was gearing up for a long week ahead down south where he's very active in the Directors' Guild. His son had married during the day — but they had eloped, so to speak. "I understand them," Lamont said, explaining why he hadn't insisted on being present . . . Rita d'Alessio wore a fabulous Armani outfit . . . Roger & Barbara Bolgard, along with Jane Sanders, all docents at Tor House, worked very hard as hosts for the shoulder-to-shoulder crowd. The reception brought in \$3,750 for the Tor House Foundation . . .

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IF YOU look up the word *gemütlichkeit*, you'll find it means coziness in the very best sense — and there should be a picture of Le Coq D'or restaurant there to illustrate it.

This little *inglenook* on upper Mission Street in Carmel-by-the-Sea embraces patrons with warmth and welcome as they enter from the patio door. The flicker of candlelight from flowered chintz-covered lamps on white clothed tables, puffy, flowered valences over the lace-curtained windows and cowbells galore suspended from the ceiling, all add up to a homey and charming European village ambiance.

Locals and visitors alike find their way to Le Coq D'or looking for traditional German and French specialties. On Thursday the restaurant was filled with about equal numbers of Carmelites and those wonderful visitors who make Carmel their getaway destination. Eavesdropping, we heard several tourists tell chef/proprietor Lorie Parsons they had dined at the restaurant any number of times in years gone by.

As for those who live here, they all seem to know Lorie and her mother, proprietor Annelore Parsons, and chat with them as old friends might. Another good sign: A well-known and respected local restaurateur was dining there with friends. A local couple dined *à la carte* on the patio with their dog.

Annelore Parsons grew up in the restaurant business in Düsseldorf, Germany. Her parents owned four individual restaurants on one entire city block and a 50-room hotel above the restaurants. She met and married her American military husband Bud Parsons there, and when they came to California in 1954, Bud was assigned to Fort Ord. Daughter Lorie was born there. "She's a California girl," Mom said proudly during our telephone interview following our sneak incognito dinner at Le Coq D'or.

Just as Mom Annelore learned the restaurant business from her parents, Lorie learned from her mother, but also

studied in Germany and France. She did her apprenticeship at the Post Hotel in Garmisch Partenkirchen in Bavaria, then went to Paris to Le Notre where she learned to make, among other dishes, *confit de canard* (preserved duck), a house specialty at the Carmel restaurant, and *ris de veau* (veal sweetbreads).

Preparation of both dishes is a little time consuming: The Mapleleaf duck must first be deboned before being marinated overnight. The next day the duck is salted and roasted in its own fat at a very low temperature for more than two hours. If the duck is to be preserved, it's fitted into a crock and covered with the melted fat before refrigerating. Lorie roasts three ducks at a time. The citrus glaze served with the duck is made with oranges.

Slices of the roast *confit de canard* (\$24.75) are fanned out on the serving plate. Thursday night, when we enjoyed this prime dish, it was served with the best creamy potatoes au gratin ever (Lorie's own recipe), and fresh vegetables. A glass of French Merlot at \$7 went very nicely with this dish. Annelore reports the duck and the Wiener schnitzel are the Coq D'or's best selling entrées.

Extensive wine offerings

As for the wine list, imports from France and Germany as well as domestic wines are extensive in offerings and in price. There are many in the \$20, \$30 and \$40 range, but Dom Perignon, Moët et Chandon can be ordered for \$206 a bottle. Imported beers run \$5 to \$7.

Because Thursday is Annelore's day off, Lorie helps wait-George Muros serve, while sous chef Miguel Garcia prepares the dinners. Well known waiter Phillip is on duty Sunday through Wednesdays.

The entrée menu is divided into four sections: French, German, Seafood and Local. The French menu includes such standards as *boeuf Bourguignon*, *poulet à la crème*, *Cordon Bleu* chicken, as well as the duck and sweetbreads (\$19.95 - \$24.95). The German fare offers veal in all styles: *Wiener*, *jäger*, *rahm* and *Holstein schnitzels* (\$20.75 - \$21.75), while beef is featured in the *sauerbraten* and the *rouladen* (\$20.75 - \$22.25), and there is a "schlacht" plate of sauerkraut,

three, is particularly determined in her reasonableness, with Teresa Del Piero to back her up. Julie Hughett plays the younger, more impressionable member, who is both in awe and terrified of Medea. The three play the ever-present voice counseling caution and forewarning tragedy.

The two other spoken roles, the tutor and the slave, are handled quite adequately by Michael Jacobs and Douglas Ambort, respectively. Medea's young sons are played by Kodiak Sauer and Chris Hudson. Not surprisingly, the boys haven't managed stage presence yet, but they certainly look their parts.

The set is dominated by the front of Medea's house, with its imposing steps mounting to massive double doors which open of their own accord. At crucial moments in the play, they seem to have a life of their own. Across the stage is a lower elevation for the chorus. The set works extremely well as backdrop for the larger-than-life occurrences of the play. The lighting is a subtle force, moving the characters through the script's single day. Of interest, as well, are displays mounted by the Tor House Foundation at the Golden Bough and the Carmel Library's Park Branch chronicling Anderson's and Caldwell's performances.

Don't miss this impressive opening of PacRep's 2003 season.

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The fresh seafood offering almost always consists of sand dabs, Monterey salmon, and filet of sole, when available (all \$20.95), while Thursday scallops in orange *beurre blanc* (\$22.50) were on the menu, as well as scallop *Provençal* (\$23.25).

The local menu offers Muskovy duck, broiled pork tenderloin, sirloin of lamb, filet mignon and beef

stroganoff (\$21.95 - \$25.25).

Seven appetizers are also available. A neighboring table occupant raved about the steamed Castroville artichoke with Coq D'Or dressing (\$7.75). And there are always two home-made soups available: The Thursday soup was a very flavorful and satisfying cauliflower soup (\$4.95), while every day the house special French onion soup is served in an entrée sized bowl (\$7.50).

Light options also

For those who prefer a light dinner, Annelore suggests a bowl of soup and a *mâche* (lamb's lettuce) salad with bacon dressing and croutons. The salad is \$7.25.

For a meatless dinner plate, there are *reibekuchen* (potato pancakes) (\$9.95); *käse spätzle* with roasted onions and house salad (\$15.75); or a seafood or mushroom crêpe with house salad (\$18.50).

As for desserts, while visiting Garmisch, Annelore fell in love with the apple crêpes at the Garmischer Hof. When she returned, she told Lorie, "We have to try this!" And so they did. It consists of a plain crêpe with fresh apples, orange Curaçao and ice cream (\$7.95). While both Annelore and Lorie are proficient at dessert creations, their excellent *chef garde manger* is Fortino Mendez.

A restaurant that runs as flawlessly as the Coq D'Or bespeaks years of experience, and Annelore most certainly has that. She began here 29 years ago in the Sundial Inn kitchen (formerly Chez Felix), then owned the Alpine Inn in Paseo San Carlos (where Tita's Mexican Restaurant is today), and made such a success of it she sold it for a good profit after six months and treated herself to a visit to Germany and France. On returning, she managed the Thunderbird restaurant for a full seven years before buying the Coq D'Or in 1992, a well established restaurant that had been in place under three different ownerships and locations since 1955.

Can there be a Carmelite who hasn't dined at this tried-and-true European restaurant a little off the beaten path? If so, be sure to do so soon. You'll be in for a pleasant surprise.

"MEDEA"

From page 11A

vengeance. We believe her when she speaks pure venom one moment and then collapses in despair the next as she contemplates what she is driven to do.

Mary Ann Schaupp-Rousseau, as Medea's devoted nurse, is the perfect foil to her tortured mistress. Schaupp plays the nurse with a limp and a slightly hunched bearing, but rather than diminishing the character, the affliction somehow speaks to the nurse's strength. She moves with power and resolve as she tries repeatedly to halt tragic events. Her devotion is empowering, and it is fitting that she alone can give Medea a clear account of the horror her mistress has wrought. Schaupp conveys a woman as wise as Medea is intemperate.

John Rousseau plays Creon, ruler of Corinth, in an understated way. He comes to banish Medea immediately from his city, but fairly quickly capitulates to her pleadings for a little time.

However, in the character of Jason, Medea's estranged husband, Jeffers conveys more fully a character whose arrogance comes from a sincere belief in his own reasonableness and the gods' presence in his life. Stephen Moorer gives us a well-rounded Jason whose concern for Medea is real; he can almost win our affections.

Contradictory emotions

When Jason comes to visit his former wife, he is annoyed with her. Hasn't he, after all, tried to protect her and their two young sons by marrying power in the person of Creon's young daughter? How can Medea fail to see this and why does she persist in undoing his efforts by criticizing the Corinthian king? Jason is still attracted to Medea, however, and he quickly gathers her to him with real emotion and regret. For a moment the two stand together remembering old passion. But Jason just as quickly reminds Medea that all she did for him was fated by the gods for her to do. She is nothing more than an instrument for his power. Moorer conveys these contradictory emotions and convictions skillfully. He is at once a sympathetic character and a villain.

In the midst of these powerful emotions and unfolding horror comes comic relief in Aegeus, king of Athens, played by Ron Evans. With a remarkably expressive face, Evans gives us a king puzzling out on the spot how he can align himself with this powerful sorcerer who is the enemy of his ally Creon but also promises to cure his impotence. In his brief appearance, Evans gives us a moment of genuine laughter as he convinces himself he is managing the infinitely more powerful Medea.

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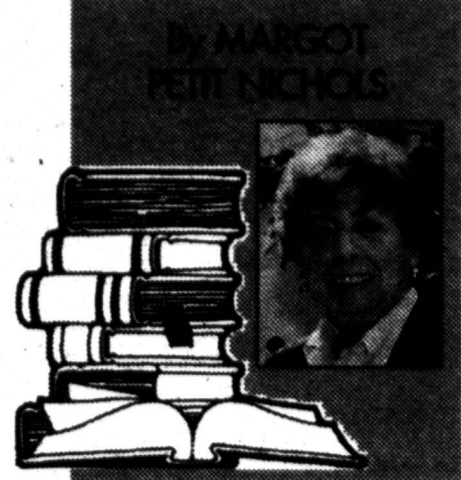
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030222. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
MARK CONCRETE, 14520 Ridgeway Road, Watsonville, CA 95076. NAN S. LESNICK, 14520 Ridgeway Road, Watsonville, CA 95076. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Jan. 27, 2003. (s)Nan S. Lesnick. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 29, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 202)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030247. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
MARTRAC, 313 Cayuga St., Suite 104, Salinas, CA 93901. UPS SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTIONS, INC., DELAWARE, 12380 Morris Rd., Alpharetta, GA 30005. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above upon filing. (s)Paige E. Beadling, Asst. Secy. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 31, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 204)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030244. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
LEAPIN' LIZARDS KIDSWEAR, 2 Harris Court, Suite #A7, Monterey, CA 93940. MICHELE LAUREN KAHN, 35196 Sky Ranch Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924. ALFRED MICHAEL KAHN, 35196 Sky Ranch Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Jan. 31, 2003. (s) Michele Kahn. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 31, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 205)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030258. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
TIP ELECTRONICS, 1010 Dolan Road,

Castroville, CA 95012. TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PARTNERS, L.L.C., Michigan, 3955 Pinnacle Court, Suite 200, Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Jan. 1, 2003. (s) Thomas R. Rutherford, Member. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 3, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2003. (PC 206)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030128. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
B.S.A. CONSULTING, Newell Family Ranch, Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920. KEVIN W. WHAN, Newell Family Ranch, Highway 1, Big Sur, CA 93920. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Jan. 1, 2003. (s) Kevin W. Whan. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Jan. 17, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2003. (PC 207)

ATTENTION CARMEL LAND OWNERS

The Carmel River Watershed Conservancy (CRWC) has received a grant from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to develop a Carmel River watershed assessment and management plan. Goals of the project include: 1) to complete a comprehensive community-based watershed assessment and watershed management plan with the involvement and support of diverse stakeholders, planners, and researchers; and 2) to educate stakeholders and interested parties about natural resource conditions and concerns in the Carmel River watershed, and to increase awareness, involvement, and public support for the planning process, leading to implementation of restoration projects and improved land management practices. Funding for this project has been provided in part through a contract with the SWRCB pursuant to the Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000 (Proposition 13) and any amendments thereto for the implementation of California's Non-point Source Pollution Control Program. The contents of this document will not necessarily reflect the views and policies of the SWRCB, nor does mention of trade names or commercial products constitute endorsement or recommendation for use. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 208)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030293. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
ATHENA'S SKIN SPA, 428 Alvarado St., Monterey, CA 93940. SASHA CHANG, 66 Calera Cyn. Rd., Salinas, CA 93908. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to

transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Feb. 5, 2003. (s) Sara A. Chiang. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 5, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2003. (PC 209)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030308. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
THE TILE STUDIO, 1605 B Del Monte Blvd., Seaside, CA 93955. FRANK J. DIMERCURIO, 1496 Santa Clara Ave. #8, Seaside, CA 93955. This business is conducted by an individual. (s) Frank J. DiMercurio. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 7, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2003. (PC 211)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030314. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
MONTEREY PENINSULA PROPERTIES, AZTECA REALTY, SALINAS REALTY GROUP, 440 Ramona Ave., Suite 21, Monterey, CA 93940. RICHARD R. NOLETTE, 440 Ramona Ave., Suite 21, Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 2-7-03. (s) Richard Nolette. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 7, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2003. (PC 212)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

In re the Estate of JOHN H. RENNELS, SR., Deceased.
Case No. MP-16439
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JOHN H. RENNELS, SR.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and mail a copy to JOHN H. RENNELS, JR. and SUSAN RENNELS BROWN, Co-Trustees of the Trust Dated April 24, 1993, wherein the decedent was the Settlor, at P.O. Box 805, Carmel, California 93921, within the later of four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 9103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

(s) Thomas Hart Hartley
Attorney for Co-Trustees
Post Office Box 805
Carmel, California 93921

Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 213)

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

In re the Estate of RUTH A. RENNELS, Deceased.
Case No. MP-16436
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF RUTH A. RENNELS

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, and mail a copy to JOHN H. RENNELS, JR. and SUSAN RENNELS BROWN, Co-Trustees of the Trust Dated April 24, 1993, wherein the decedent was the Settlor, at P.O. Box 805, Carmel, California 93921, within the later of four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 9103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

(s) Thomas Hart Hartley
Attorney for Co-Trustees
Post Office Box 805
Carmel, California 93921

Publication dates: Feb. 14, 21, 28, 2003. (PC 214)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030352. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
GABILAN JUDGEMENT RECOVERY, 50950 Pine Canyon Rd., King City, CA 93930; P.O. Box 162, Salinas, CA 93902. JOHN N. BOLINGER, 50950 Pine Canyon Rd., King City, CA 93930. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Feb. 14, 2003. (s) John N. Bolinger. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 14, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2003. (PC 215)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030299. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
INNOVATIVE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, 1910 Oxford Ct., Salinas, CA 93906. MONTE L. MITCHELL, 1910 Oxford Ct., Salinas, CA 93906. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on March 1, 2003. (s)M. Mitchell. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 6, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2003. (PC 219)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 20030389. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
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TIRE, INC., 597 El Camino Real N. Salinas, Ca. 93907. CALIFORNIA AUTOMOTIVE AND TIRE, INC., 597 El Camino Real N. Salinas, Ca. 93907. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Feb. 20, 2003. (s)Echo Long, corporate secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Feb. 20, 2003. Publication dates: Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2003. (PC 218)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, March 12, 2003. The public hearing will be opened at 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible.

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Consideration of a Design Study (Concept Review) application for the alteration of an existing one-story single-family dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) District.

2. DS 02-96/DS 03-10/UP 03-4
Curt Breitfuss
E/s San Antonio between Ocean and 4th
Block HH, lots 10 and 12

Consideration of Design Study (Concept and Final Review) and beach permit applications for alterations to an existing nonconforming dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) and Beach Overlay (B) Districts.

3. DS 02-38/RE 02-9
Chris Dinner
NE corner Mission and 9th
Block 98, lot 20
Consideration of Design Study (Concept Review) and Demolition

applications for the demolition of a single family dwelling and the construction of a new two-story single family dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) and Archeological Significant (AS) Districts.

4. DS 02-37/RE 02-8
Chris Dinner
E/s Lincoln between 8th and 9th
Block 98, lot 18

Consideration of Design Study (Concept Review) and Demolition applications for the demolition of a single family dwelling and the construction of a new two-story single family dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) and Archeological Significant (AS) Districts.

5. DS 03-6/UP 03-3/RE 03-2
Jon Parsons
E/s Mission between 2nd and 3rd
Block 27, lots 10 and pt. 11

Consideration of Design Study (Concept Review), Demolition, and Use Permit applications for the demolition of an existing single family dwelling and the construction of a new two-story dwelling located in the Residential (R-1) District.

6. UP 03-5
Laurette Robertson
W/s Lincoln between Ocean and 7th
Block 74, lots 11 and 13
Consideration of a Commercial use Permit application for an antique store located in the Central Commercial (CC) District.

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
(s) Anne Morris
Secretary of said Board
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Dale Forbes



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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance

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IV. Extraordinary Business

- A. Presentation of a Twenty-five year Service Award to William Cox, Intermittent Fire Captain/On-Call Firefighter.
- B. Presentation of a Five year Service Award to Christie Miller, Community Activities Program Supervisor.
- C. Presentation of Resolution No. 2003-30 commending Officer Robert Melton for his selection as "Officer of the Year, 2002"

V. Announcements from Closed Session, from City Council Members and the City Administrator

- A. Announcements from Closed Session
- B. Announcements from City Council representatives on outside agencies
- C. Announcements from the City Administrator
 - Sunset Theater Update Report - Bill Camille
 - Receive report regarding the League of California Cities Grassroots Network Proposal

VI. Appearances

VII. Consent Calendar

- A. Ratify the minutes for the meetings of January 22, 2003 and February 4, 2003.
- B. Ratify the bills paid for the month of February 2003.
- C. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-20 authorizing the transfer of funds from General Revenue Account 01-46801 in the amount of \$1,960 to Fire Department Training Account #72030, and from Equipment Acquisition Reserves Account #14-24014-0476 in the amount of \$4,524.52 to Fire Department Training Account #72030, and from Equipment Acquisition Reserves Account #14-24014-0476 in the amount of \$1,608.75 to a Fire Department Capital Outlay Account.
- D. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-24 authorizing a Lease with Option to Purchase Agreement with the Carmel-by-the-Sea Public Improvement Authority.
- E. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-25 authorizing an expenditure of \$750 from the Mayor's Youth Fund to assist the California Performing Arts Festival with their Tix4Kids Program.
- F. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-26 approving the Monterey Regional Storm Water Management Plan (MRSWMP) and the Corporation Yard Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and applying for Municipal and Industrial Storm Water Permits from the State Water Quality Control Board.
- G. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-27 authorizing an expenditure of \$1,000 from the Mayor's Youth Fund to support Carmel High School's "Sober Grad Night" on June 13, 2003.
- H. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-28 authorizing the expenditure of not-to-exceed \$200,000 for storm damage repairs and authorizing a transfer of funds from the Emergency Response Reserve Fund to the Capital Improvement Department.
- I. Adopt Resolution No. 2003-29 authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a Consultant Service Agreement with Dyett and Bhatia for the Zoning Code/Implementation Plan Update Project in an amount not to exceed \$42,000.

VIII. Public Hearings

- A. Consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission decision approving residential concept design study and demolition applications for the demolition of an existing one-story, single family residence and accessory structure and the construction of a new two-story residence located on the east side of Dolores Street between Santa Lucia Avenue and Franciscan Way in the Residential (R-1) and Archaeological Significance (AS) Districts (Block 9, Lot 3). The owners of the property are Peter and Charlotte Boyle. The appellants are Bruce and Michelle Moore.

IX. Ordinances

- A. Consideration of Ordinance No. 2003-01 amending Title 15 and Title 17 of the Municipal Code. The ordinance would modify the definition of demolition and establish a new definition for rebuilding. [Second Reading]
- B. Consideration of Ordinance No. 2003-02 amending Title 3, Chapter 3.12 of the Municipal Code regarding the City's Purchasing System. [Second Reading]

X. Orders of Council

- A. Scheduling of future Council meetings - please bring your date books.

XI. Resolutions

- A. Consideration of Resolution No. 2003-31 authorizing advertising for bids for the corporation yard paint building replacement and approving a transfer of funds
- B. Consideration of Resolution No. 2003-34 authorizing an expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for implementation of Fire House Alternative Phase I.

XII. Adjournment

The next meeting of the City Council will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers on:

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M I L E S T O N E S

GUNVOR EM ECKBERG, 90, a Carmel resident for the past 22 years who won the title of Miss Sweden at age 16 and became a noted actress there, died Jan. 21.



Mrs. Eckberg studied at the European Fashion Institute. When her husband's diplomatic career brought them to the United States, she designed clothing for many noted political figures.

Mrs. Eckberg was preceded in death by her husband, Lars, in 1989.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society or the Blind and Visually Impaired Center, Pacific Grove.

SIXTY-FIVE-year resident of Carmel-by-the-Sea, **EVA LOUBENS SOREY**, died Jan. 22 at age 95. A native of Mexico City, she graduated from Miss Williams' School in Berkeley and embarked upon a career in dance. Performing under the name Eva Rosita, she dazzled crowds on both stage and film, notably playing Carmen in the 1928 film, "Rio Rita."



Miss Loubens moved to Carmel in 1936 where she married Glen "Bud" Sorey, who owned the Pipe Shop on Dolores Street. Mrs. Sorey opened the Vanity Fair Frock Shop on Ocean Avenue, which flourished under her proprietorship until her retirement in 1979.

Mrs. Sorey is survived by three grandnieces.

DAVID L. FREEDMAN, a graduate of the Chic School of Design in Manhattan and a designer and manufacturer of women's clothing for more than 40 years, died Jan. 23 at his Carmel home. He was 75.



He designed under his own labels: Heather Fashions, Young Heritage and Jr. Heritage. Mr. Freedman was an avid history buff and reader, collector of antiques and a dog lover. He was also a member of Temple Beth Israel.

Mr. Freedman is survived by his wife of 33 years, Judith of Carmel; daughter Jacqueline Bershad of Philadelphia; his brother, James of Missouri; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials are suggested to the Monterey County SPCA.

LESLIE ANN NEWTON, a lawyer working in the field of real estate law for more than 20 years who worked as a Realtor with Alain Pinel Real Estate recently, died Jan. 25 at her Carmel home. She was 55.

Mrs. Newton moved here from Hermosa Beach in 1998. She previously served on the Hermosa Beach Planning Commission and as director of the Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce. She was named Woman of the Year in that community in 1994.

Mrs. Newton is survived by her husband, Jerry, of Carmel; her children, Roger Fontes of Nevada and Kathleen Jacecko of Redondo Beach; her father and stepmother, Alan and Marta Lightner of Newport Beach; and her brother, David Lightner of Oregon.

Contributions are suggested to the donor's favorite charity.

HELEN W. SAMBORN, a resident of Carmel for 33 years before moving to Carmichael in 1996, died Jan. 29 at age 89. She came to Carmel with her husband, Jack, who died in 1984. She was a member of the Carmel Foundation for many years.

Mrs. Samborn graduated from UC Berkeley in 1935 and was secretary at Cragmont School in Berkeley where she was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the PTA. She is survived by a daughter, Suzanne Horning of New Mexico; son Allen Fowle of Strawberry Valley, and a grandson.

JEANNE TYLER, 75, died Feb. 1 in Carmel. She is survived by two brothers, James and William Berger, both living on the East Coast. Donations in her name may be made to Hospice House in Monterey.

ERNEST E. "JEFF" JEFFERSON, 98, a radio engineer for 40 years with NBC, died Feb. 7 at Hospice House.

Mr. Jefferson was a graduate of UC Berkeley and as a young man worked as a wireless operator for many cruise ships.

He lived in Pebble Beach since 1970, coming from San Francisco. Mr. Jefferson was very involved with the

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Editorial

The biggest spendthrift

IF A resident of Mars were to visit Earth right now, without the benefit of any advance knowledge of the peculiar habits of Earthlings, he would surely be discombobulated at the contradictory news of the last few weeks.

On the one hand, dire headlines have appeared in every newspaper warning of the terrible financial crisis that besets California.

The state has to balance its budget, the Martian would learn. At the moment, that requires reducing the next year's expenses by upwards of \$20 billion. Schools will have to eliminate programs and lay off teachers, public safety programs will have to be cut and aid to the poor slashed. Etc., etc., etc.

On the other hand, it was reported in this newspaper last week (and surely the Martian would read The Carmel Pine Cone) that \$4 million will soon be spent to expand the Carmel River Lagoon to provide a bit more habitat for the fish and the frogs that call the river home. The money will come from the depleted state bank account.

Noting this, perhaps the Martian wouldn't be confused at all. Perhaps he would marvel, instead, at mankind's self-sacrificing beneficence toward the lesser creatures of the Earth.

"Fire school teachers to save frogs? That sort of decision isn't common in the solar system," the Martian would tell Larry King or Craig Kilborn. The complex and selfless decision-making that surely precedes such an allocation of precious public funds must be a wonderful thing to behold, the Martian would enviously observe.

But soon he would learn that the \$4 million expenditure to benefit Carmel River wildlife wasn't made as a deliberate choice of animals over academics. No sovereign body weighed the importance of protecting red-legged frogs vs. raising the SAT scores of high school seniors. Of flooding old farmland vs. fostering youthful creativity. Of enhancing the lagoon as opposed to offering advanced placement language courses. Not only that, but it isn't even certain, we humans would have to admit, that the frogs, trout and other creatures of the Carmel River even need an expanded lagoon. Yes, they are "threatened" species. But the average citizen has no idea what that means exactly, or what it requires.

Truth be told, the decision to spend \$4 million digging up an old artichoke field rather than using the money for schools, fire departments or other vital government responsibilities was made not deliberately . . . but by default.

The \$4 million was allocated several years ago, you see. And the state budget crisis is happening this year. The way things work in Sacramento, one has nothing to do with the other.

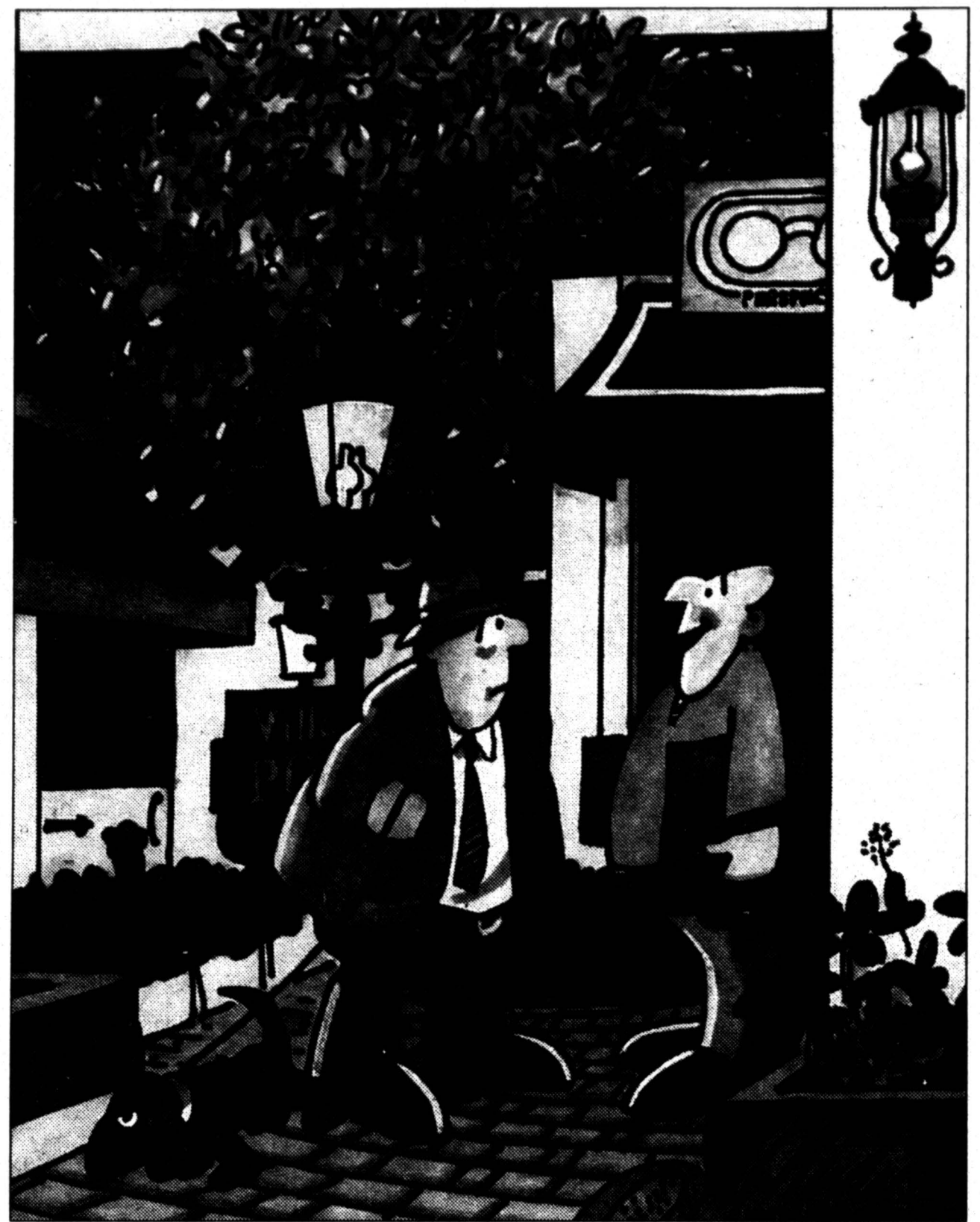
Is this the way any normal human would see things? No. Where a family's budget is concerned, a current financial crisis immediately re-examination of all existing commitments. At the kitchen table of John and Susie Q. Public, fiscal priorities are constantly updated to match available resources. But the government marches to the beat of a different dollar.

In his 1995 memoir, David Brinkley, who spent decades covering the workings of the government, explained its spending habits by comparing it to a giant ATM machine. The government, Brinkley wrote, is "always ready to dump out millions and billions to anyone who could push the right buttons."

He attributed the existence of this out-of-control cash colossus to the invention of the withholding tax. In the early 1940s, the innovation was necessary to pay the never-ending bills for defeating Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan. But once the war was over, sky-high tax rates and the withholding scheme produced an "artesian well, spouting cash . . . an automatic, power-driven money machine never seen before and a true wonder of the world," Brinkley wrote. With more money at hand than anyone had ever imagined, the mission of the government became not, How can we pay for what the country needs? but, rather, What do we do with all this dough?

California spent so much, all its money is now gone. So while the Legislature and the Governor struggle to reduce their treasured budget, we urge the consideration of another big issue: How much money are they wasting?

BEST OF BATES



"The economy's up . . . I've got two jobs."

Letters to the Editor

The Pine Cone encourages submission of letters which address issues of public importance. The Pine Cone reserves the right to determine which letters are suitable for publication. Letters should not exceed 350 words, and must include the author's name, telephone number and street address. Please do not send us letters which have been submitted to other newspapers.

The Pine Cone is no longer able to accept letters to the editor by fax. Please submit your letters by U.S. mail, e-mail, or in person (addresses are provided below).

Volunteers help Youth Center

Dear Editor,

Every year, the Board of Directors of the non-profit Carmel Youth Center gather with friends, family, and the community to volunteer in the food concession booths on Spyglass and Pebble Beach during the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Through the efforts of these 500 generous volunteers, the CYC is able to raise funds so we can continue to offer safe and fun programs for youth who live in the Carmel Area.

This year once again we had hundreds of volunteers, including members of the Carmel Host Lions Club and the Carmel

Rotary Club, Coldwell Banker, Household Credit, DMDC, and countless individuals who supported the CYC with their time and energy. It is impossible to express how much we appreciate the work these volunteers do on our behalf.

Thanks also to the Carmel Unified School District that graciously let us use their vans so we could shuttle our volunteers, the volunteers who drove those shuttles, and to the Pebble Beach Company's Banquet team and Special Events team, who are always so wonderful to work with. We feel so lucky to be a part of this kindhearted Monterey Peninsula, and thank everyone who helped make this year's AT&T a success for the Carmel Youth Center.

Kelly Lepai, Executive Director,
Carmel Youth Center

Opportune time

Dear Editor,

You are right on target in your fine editorial of Feb. 14 ("Price of frog's legs, etc."). However, I note from the full page ads by CalAm they assume it is a done deal that they will operate the deal if it goes through. My thinking is that this might be the opportune time to cogitate whether or not water on the Peninsula be under state control. (Not the MPWMD, of course — they supported CalAm's brilliant idea to put us under threat

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KARAS

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"When the company was over on Del Monte Avenue by the railroad tracks, once a week Sam and the others would cook up a big hot stew and feed it to the homeless people walking down the tracks," recalled Linda Brockman, who worked with Mr. Karas for two decades. "He would help anybody who needed it, from the dishwasher to the president of the company."

Plain spoken, politically astute

Sam Karas was a rumpled, blue-collar kind of guy who had tremendous influence on politics in Monterey County during the past 30 years. He served seven years on the Monterey school board. He led the fight against a plan to build a "new city" of 4,000 homes and a slew of car dealerships at Tarpy Flats on the Monterey-Salinas Highway — after the city council had approved it. He served Seaside and Marina as the 4th District Monterey County Supervisor until redistricting landed him in the middle of the high-rent district as supervisor for the 5th District, which includes Pebble Beach, Carmel, Carmel Valley and Pacific Grove.

"His social passions were frankly more in tune with Seaside and Marina," said current 5th District Supervisor Dave Potter. "He was a strong champion of ethnic issues and affordable housing. And when he inherited the affluent sector — the complaining constituency of Carmel Valley — it started to get to him at the end. He was disappointed in them."

When it was time to step down, Mr. Karas lined up a successor — Potter — to run for his office. "He said, 'Kid, we want you to run for the board. It's real important. Get back to me.' And then, 45 minutes later, he said, 'Kid, are you in or are you out?'" Potter laughed. "He was my counselor. And you gotta love a guy who calls a 53-year-old man, 'kid.'"

Mr. Karas adored the theater; he and his wife resurrected

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dent of the company.'

— Linda Brockman

the burned-out Wharf Theater and produced plays there for three years. After Clint Eastwood saw the couple in "Last of the Red-Hot Lovers," he cast Sam in the role of Thirsty Thurston in his Oscar-winning film, "Unforgiven."

"He has such a great face and great look and sound," Eastwood said. But Mr. Karas' first audition, years before in "Detective Stories" for Cole Weston at the Forest Theater, was terrifying.

"Before he tried out for the part, he drove around the block 15 times before he worked up the courage to walk inside," said Monterey Mayor Dan Albert.

"And when that play was reviewed in the paper, they mentioned everybody but Sam. That was a terrible, black weekend at our house!" remembered Edie.

Mr. Karas' accomplishments and awards would fill a book. Among the entities he either founded or served are the Monterey Peninsula Visitor and Convention Bureau, the Monterey Jazz Festival, the Monterey Pop Festival, the Wharf Theater, The Monterey Film Commission, The California Film Commission and the California Coastal Commission. Between 1996 and 1997, he made three trips to Bosnia to serve as

an election supervisor.

He was honored by the ACLU for his dedication to civil rights; with the Ben Heller Award for promoting farmworker housing in Monterey County; by the NAACP for contributions to the minority community, and, a decade ago, by the Sierra Club for protecting coastal resources. Clint Eastwood credits him with linking the star to the Big Sur Land Trust and therefore preserving hundreds of acres at the mouth of Carmel Valley.

"He was also a very moderate person on the coastal commission," said Eastwood. "Instead of polarizing every issue, he had ways of looking at things from both sides."

Mr. Karas tried to juggle his concern about the environment with his compassion for the housing needs of the non-rich in Monterey County. In the waning years of his life, he leaned more and more toward helping the needy even if that came at the expense of the open space so jealously guarded by local environmental activists.

"He never allowed controversy to stand in the way of what he thought was right," said his wife.

Morley Brown, another tireless worker for the community, said, "I loved his sense of humor, but more than anything, I greatly admired the way he devoted his life to improving the lives of the disenfranchised and the less fortunate."

"From the arts to the homeless to migrant farm workers, to the water issues to world affairs," said Mayor Albert. "Sam Karas was a man for all seasons."

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Dr. Pamela Craig, chief of CHOMP's Breast Health Center, this week received \$36,441, proceeds from last September's highly successful fundraiser, Fashion Targets Breast Cancer. With her is Kathleen Watson, Carmel's Saks Fifth Avenue general manager. Saks has raised more than \$9 million across America during the past four years in the fight against breast cancer. The funds raised locally will go to CHOMP's Sponsored Care Fund, for women with limited access to mammograms and breast care treatment.

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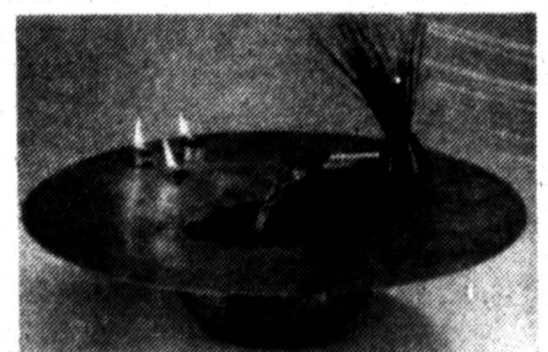
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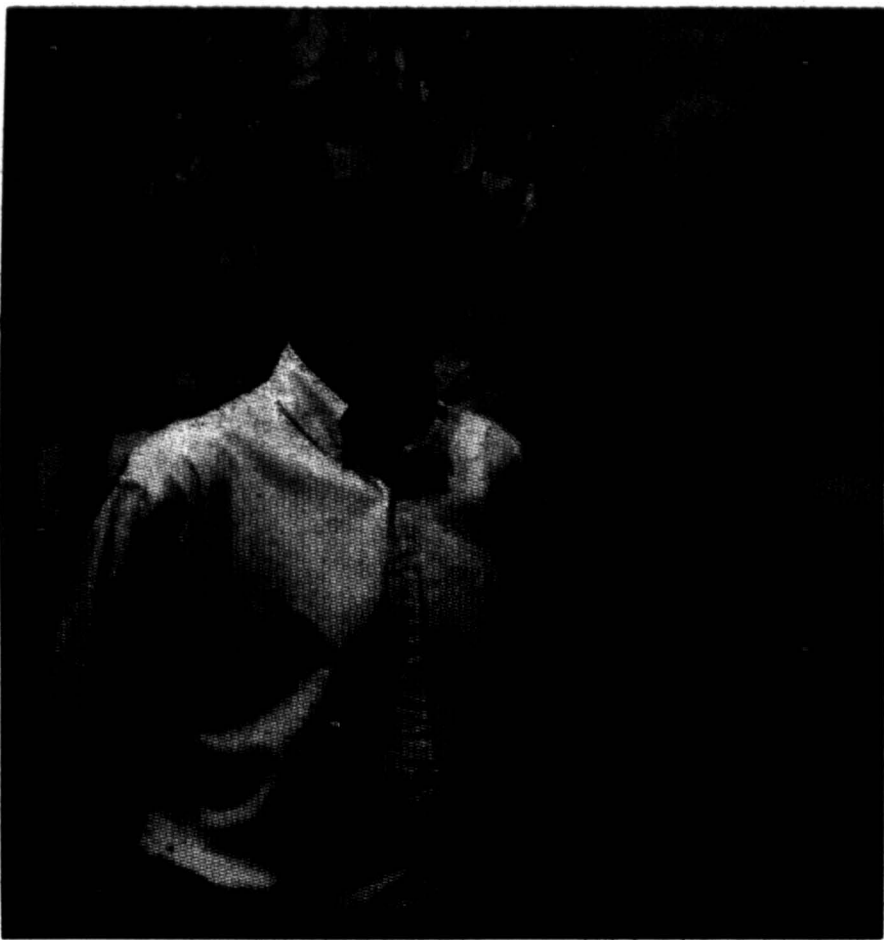
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Director Janet Howell leaves CAA for warmer climes

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

JANET HOWELL, director of the Carmel Art Association, will be leaving the gallery and moving north the first week of March after 12 years at the heart of Carmel's art scene.

Howell spearheaded, among other CAA retrospective solo



PHOTO/MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

David Domeniconi and Janet Howell

shows, the paintings, drawings and etchings of Percy Gray in 1998, the largest assemblage of his work ever presented; and in 2001 gathered a representative showing of paintings and liturgical art by E. Charlton Fortune. The watercolors of Rollin Pickford were also displayed in a one-man show at the association during Howell's directorship.

In total, Howell was associated with the CAA for more than 12 years, bringing the works of its 125 members before the public on a continuing basis, arranging monthly gallery showcases of selected artists, and overseeing the association's sales staff.

Before affiliating with the CAA, Howell studied art history at College of Marin and traveled extensively in Europe.

She and her husband, artist/writer David Domeniconi, have purchased a farmhouse on an acre of land contiguous to vineyards just outside Healdsburg, in Alexander Valley, Cloverdale, where Howell grew up and still has family, is close by. Her long-range plans are to open an art gallery in Healdsburg.

Domeniconi is well known to readers of The Pine Cone as the creator of the witty Day Tripper pen-and-ink illustrated feature which ran weekly for several years. In collaboration with artist Pam Carroll, he authored the children's book, "G is for Golden" and is under contract now to write another book. He will continue to write and illustrate a weekly travel cartoon for the Santa Barbara News Press.

Howell cited her love for warmer weather and a desire to be near family members, particularly her father, Jack Howell, as the impetus for the move, but said she and her husband will miss the ocean and many friends on the Peninsula.

A CAA search committee is in the process of selecting a replacement for Howell.

RECOVERY

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The city's total revenue during that six-month period fell \$568,000, mainly because federal and state grants disappeared and the return on the city's investments sagged.

At the council meeting, Guillen warned that the economic climate remains uncertain and advised the council to move forward cautiously.

The council agreed to wait to see how Carmel's economy fares in the coming months before committing money to future projects. Capital improvements, such as a new beach restroom at Santa Lucia and a new paving project on Mission Street, remain unfunded.

The council did vote to commit at least \$50,000 to repair storm damage on Carmel Beach and \$27,000 to fix up the Forest Theater, which lost several seats to a falling pine tree last December.

At the Feb. 24 meeting, council members debated whether to continue cutting expenses or to aggressively search for new sources of revenue.

Councilman Gerard Rose said now is the time for the council to get back to basics. "Let's narrow the scope of what we really want to make priorities in this budget," he said.

"We need to tackle public safety, and after that the next priority is whatever projects are mandated by the government. Everything else has to be prioritized based on the availability of money and what happens in the economy."

Councilwoman Barbara Livingston contended it's time to think seriously about new money makers, especially if the city wants to tackle important capital improvements.

Resident Linda Anderson agreed. "It seems to me everybody in town agrees that the city needs a new revenue stream," Anderson said. "Are there any plans to begin looking sooner rather than later?"

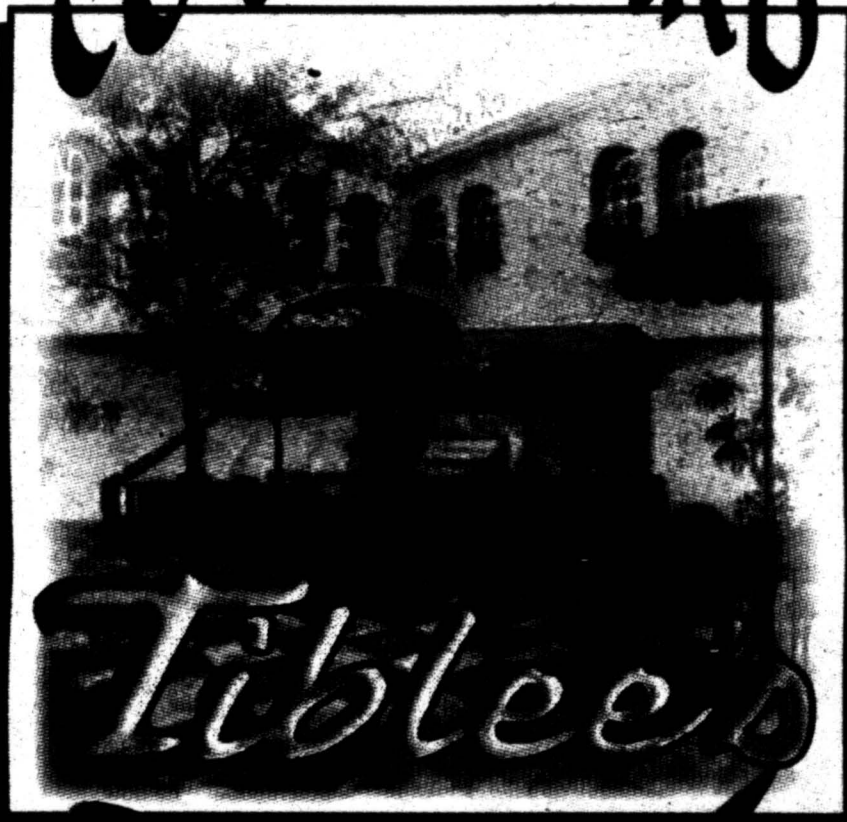
However, Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud pointed out that the council has already committed itself to studying the possibility of a paid parking program, a business improvement district or charging homeowners a stormwater utility fee — which would go to pay for federally mandated pollution control measures.

Last fall, the city shelved the paid-parking idea after a demonstration of parking machines downtown proved unpopular.

Guillen said the council will soon receive another report on the Business Improvement District as well as the stormwater fees — which would have to go before the voters, probably in November.

The city administrator also advised the council to take a hard look at contracting out some of its work. "I'm not proposing layoffs at this point," Guillen said. "But when we lose employees by attrition, maybe we could analyze if it's more cost effective to out source or to hire full-time employees."

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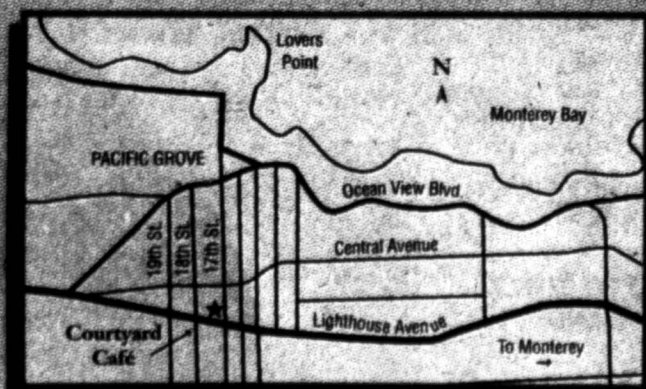


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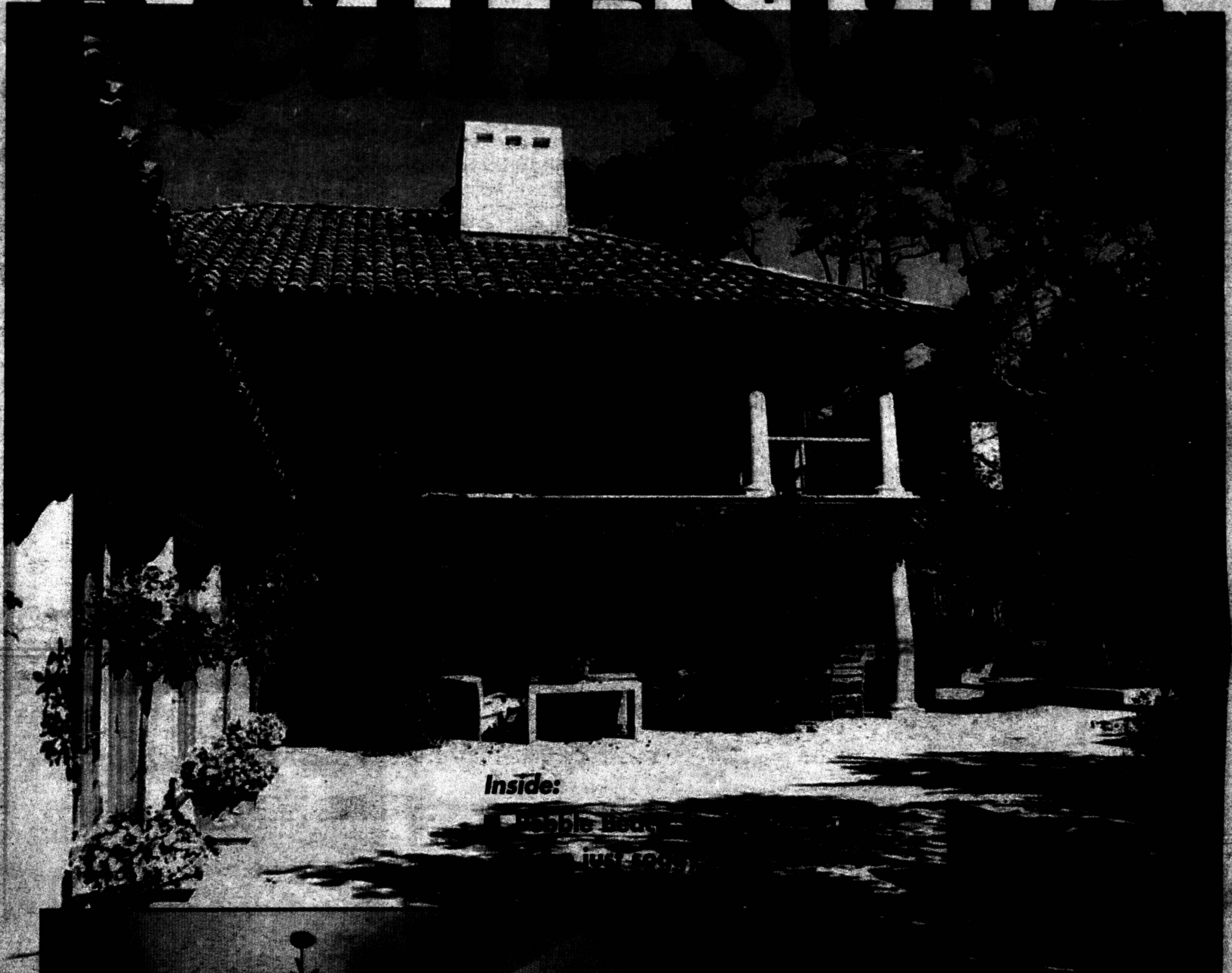
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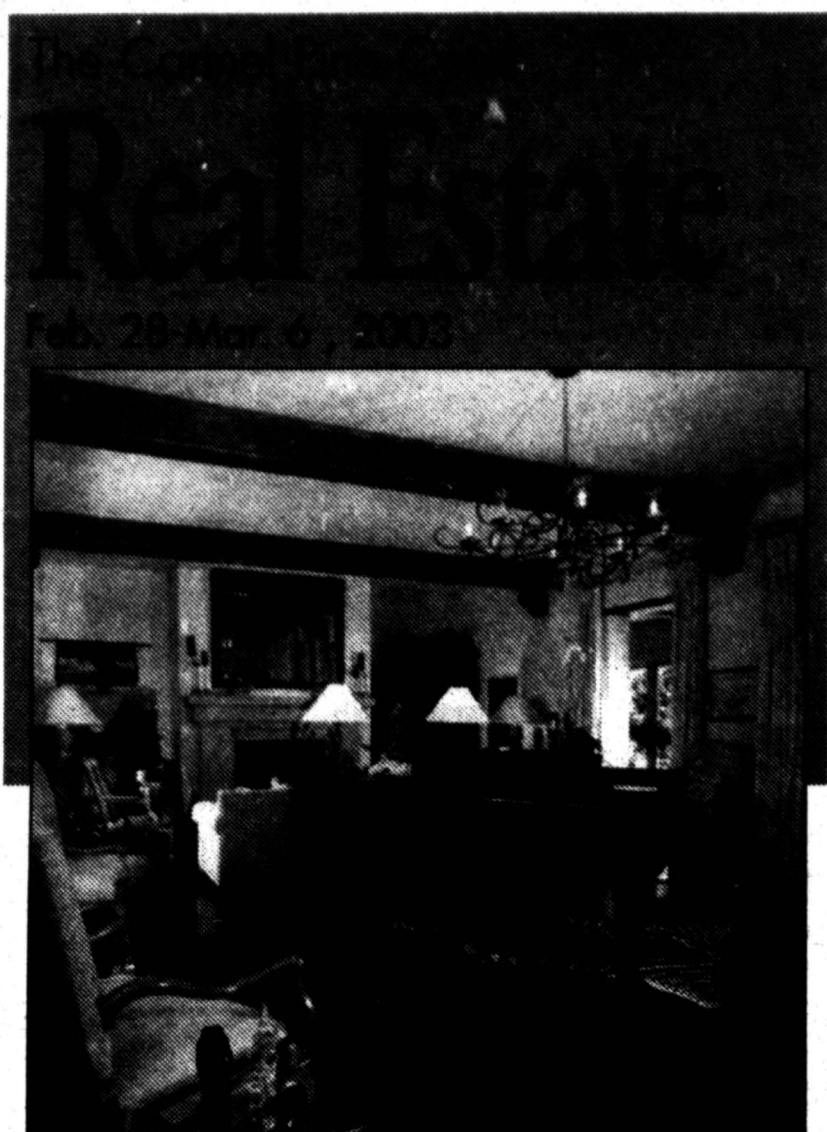


■ This week's cover home, located on 17 Mile Drive in Pebble Beach, is presented by Mike Canning of The Mitchell Group (see page 2B)

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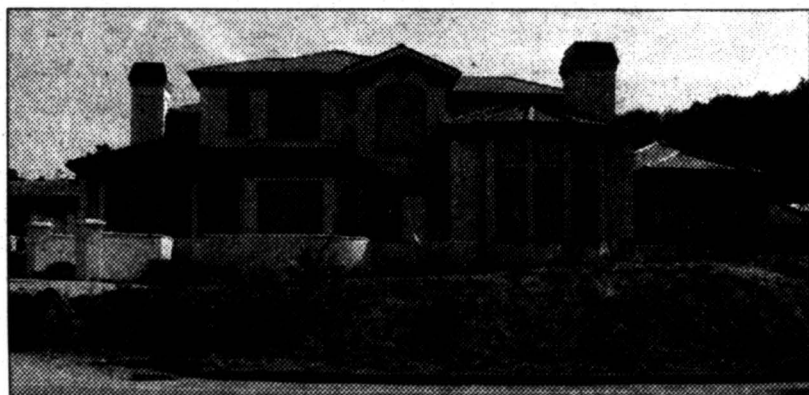
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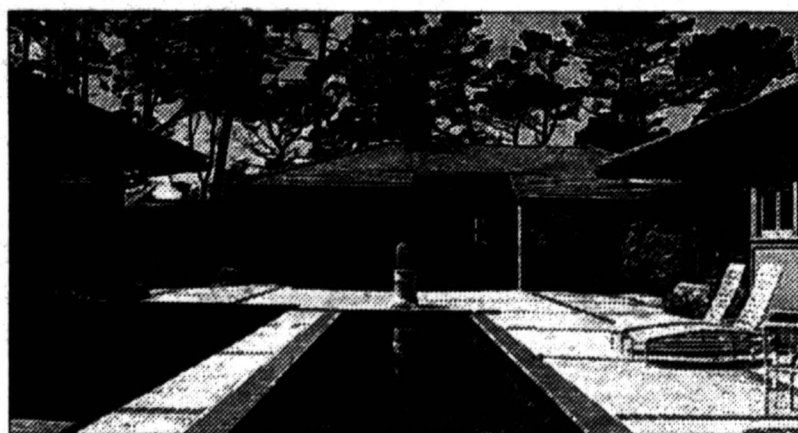


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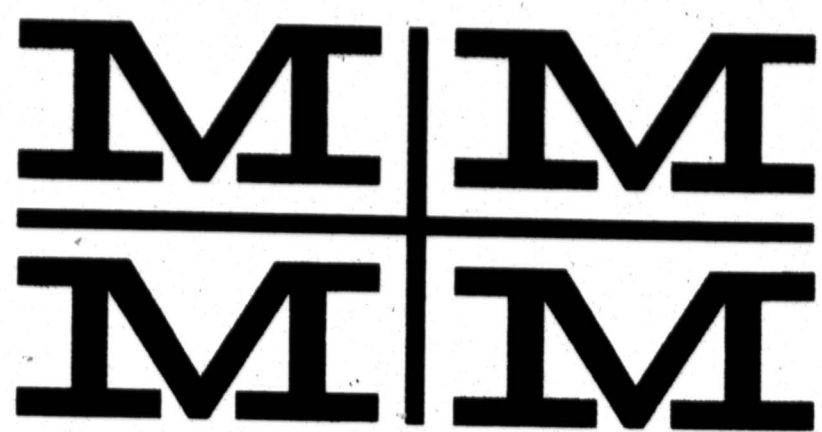
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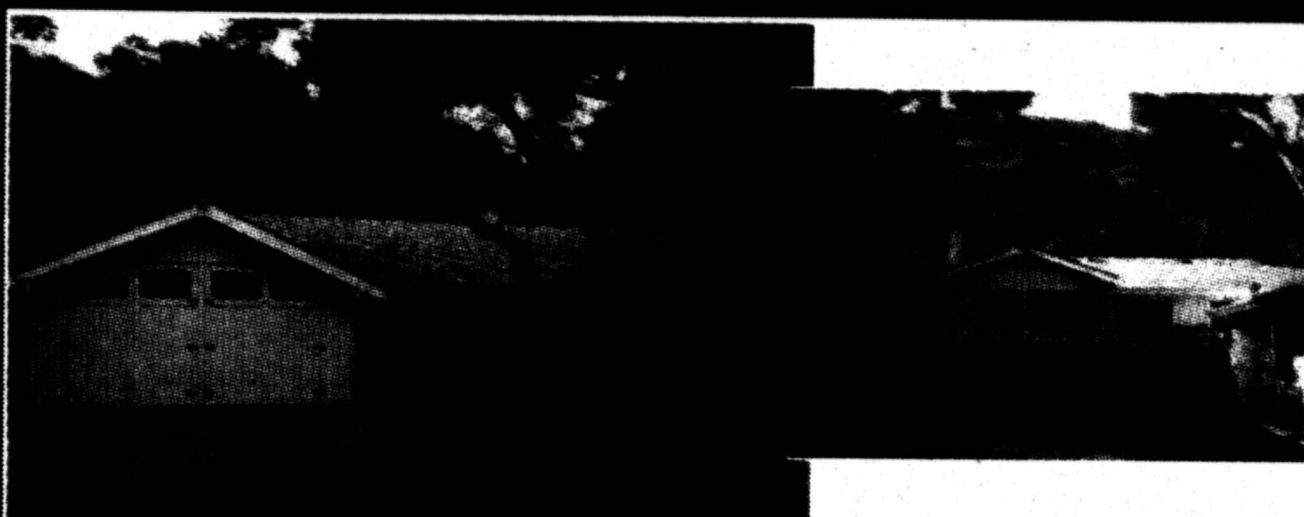
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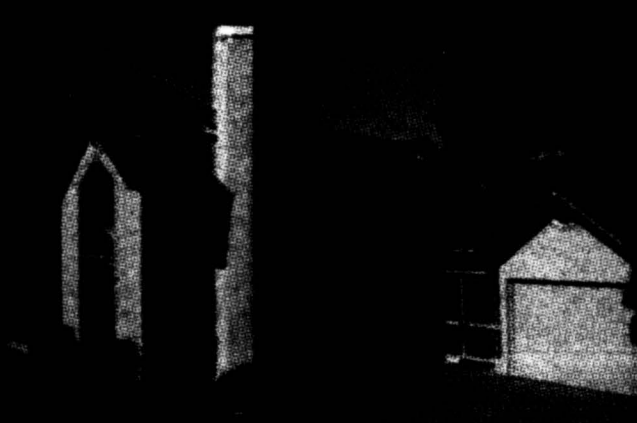
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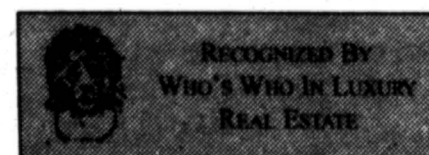
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REAL ESTATE

Appeal denied; Pebble Beach Fire can expand

By MARY BROWNFIELD

BIOLOGISTS DOMINATED the microphone during a Feb. 25 appeal of the Pebble Beach Community Services District's expansion plans for its fire and sanitation department buildings in Del Monte Forest. Testimony from the scientists that no wetlands exist on the property convinced the board of supervisors to, without any discussion, unanimously deny resident George Wortham's appeal and approve the permits.

"The only issue raised is whether there's a wetland on this site," EMC Planning Group's Michael Groves told the board. "This is essentially a horse trail that collects water when it rains. It's being made an issue, but it's not an issue."

Having outgrown its 28-year-old buildings and one added in 1993, the PBCSD sought an additional 8,541 square feet of building space, 11,025 square feet for parking and a replacement concrete slab. The work will eliminate at least 54 Monterey pines at the Forest Lake and Lopez Road corner parcel.

Architect Paul Davis explained the need to expand.

"With the increase in the amount of equipment and its size, the fire department needs to take over all the bays in the original building and the maintenance bays in the building built in '93," he said.

'This is essentially a horse trail that collects water when it rains. It's being made an issue, but it's not an issue.'

— Michael Groves

The expansion will provide space for the vehicles, some of which measure 29 feet long and tow 16-foot-long trailers, to maneuver safely. No other viable sites could be found, according to Davis, and the expansion will be camouflaged by the remaining pine forest.

The Del Monte Forest Property Owners Association favored the plan, and the Del Monte Forest Land Use Advisory Committee voted 5-0 last March to recommend approval. The Monterey County Planning Commission OK'd the application Dec. 11; Wortham filed his appeal later that month.

EMC wetland scientist Cara Galloway confirmed what biologist Vern Yadon initially found in his survey of the site: That no wetlands, as defined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the California Coastal Commission or the county, exist on the parcel.

"A portion of the project site contains artificial, manmade conditions resulting from driveway runoff and soil berming by equestrians, but this unnatural area does not represent a wetland," Galloway wrote in her

report for the board.

Big green frog

Wortham disagreed and furnished photographs of "two salamanders and a big green frog," "mint plants," "past pampas grass, lots of 'stumps'" and "hydric soil" to support his appeal, according to the staff report.

After erecting a poster board reading, "Truth: Wet, pristine forest, lost in favor of a maintenance shed, is not right. Many alternatives deserve to be explored," in front of the supervisors, Wortham pleaded with them to deny PBCSD's project.

In addition to the potential loss of pine forest and amphibians, Wortham disputed whether maintenance workers and firefighters could coexist, said the changes would destroy the peace and quiet nearby homeowners currently enjoy, and suggested PBCSD find another site for the project.

"Whether by accident or by design, the inch-by-inch destruction of endangered forest is very wrong," he said. "This site is far too precious to destroy for the purpose of storing sewer trucks."

Unmoved, the board unanimously voted to deny Wortham's appeal.

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City hall: Flooding and weak floor offset 1920s charm

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CITY HALL has a water problem, and unlike the usual problem, it concerns too much water rather than too little.

During heavy rains, water often leaks through the below-ground retaining walls into the basement of the old Monte Verde Street building. A torrential downpour triggered the basement's flood alarm shortly after midnight Feb. 15, prompting Carmel fire and police departments to rush to the scene for what's unfortunately become a routine problem.

"It was a quarter inch of water over a 10-by-10 area — it happens every time it rains," said building official Tim Meroney. "It's no big deal, but everybody made a big deal about it. Fire trucks came, and they called the city manager."

If sump pumps in the city hall basement are overwhelmed during the day, workers can drop a temporary pump in to remove the extra water, Meroney explained. "But at 1 a.m., we're not here to monitor it, the alarm goes off and we get here after the fact."

The flooding has been a problem for decades — and savvy city hall personnel learned long ago not to store any vulnerable items down there. Meroney said there's no easy solution because waterproofing the retaining walls would cost up to \$35,000 and the basement is too cramped for a larger pump.

Those permits weigh heavily

Flooding is not the only problem at Carmel City Hall. The old building, constructed in the 1920s and refurbished in 1984, also can't withstand the weighty and ever-growing paperwork generated by the planning and building department.

Meroney discovered weak floor supports while preparing

for a new, more compact — but heavy — filing system for the planning department.

"We discovered the old floor joists underneath were never upgraded or changed during the remodel, so they are overloaded as it is," he said. "That's why the floors are buckling and the carpets are ripped — because of the weight of the filing cabinets — but we have no money to modify them."


To install the new file, workers would first have to tear out the floor and lay a new concrete slab at a cost of at least

\$35,000, according to Meroney.

But the building inspector doesn't fault those who remodeled city hall almost two decades ago.

"They worked with the budget they had," he said. "They were probably not thinking about how many filing cabinets and how much weight they were going to incur in the future."



"The planning and building department is just overloaded in plan files — the amount of construction in the last 18 years has gone way beyond our ability to properly store it."



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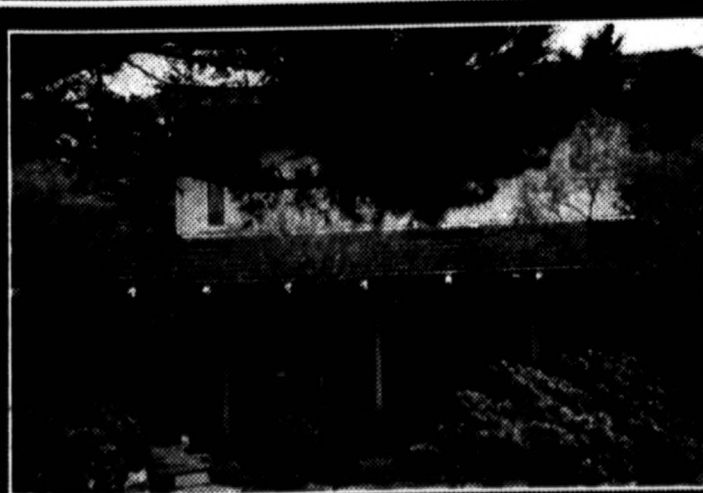


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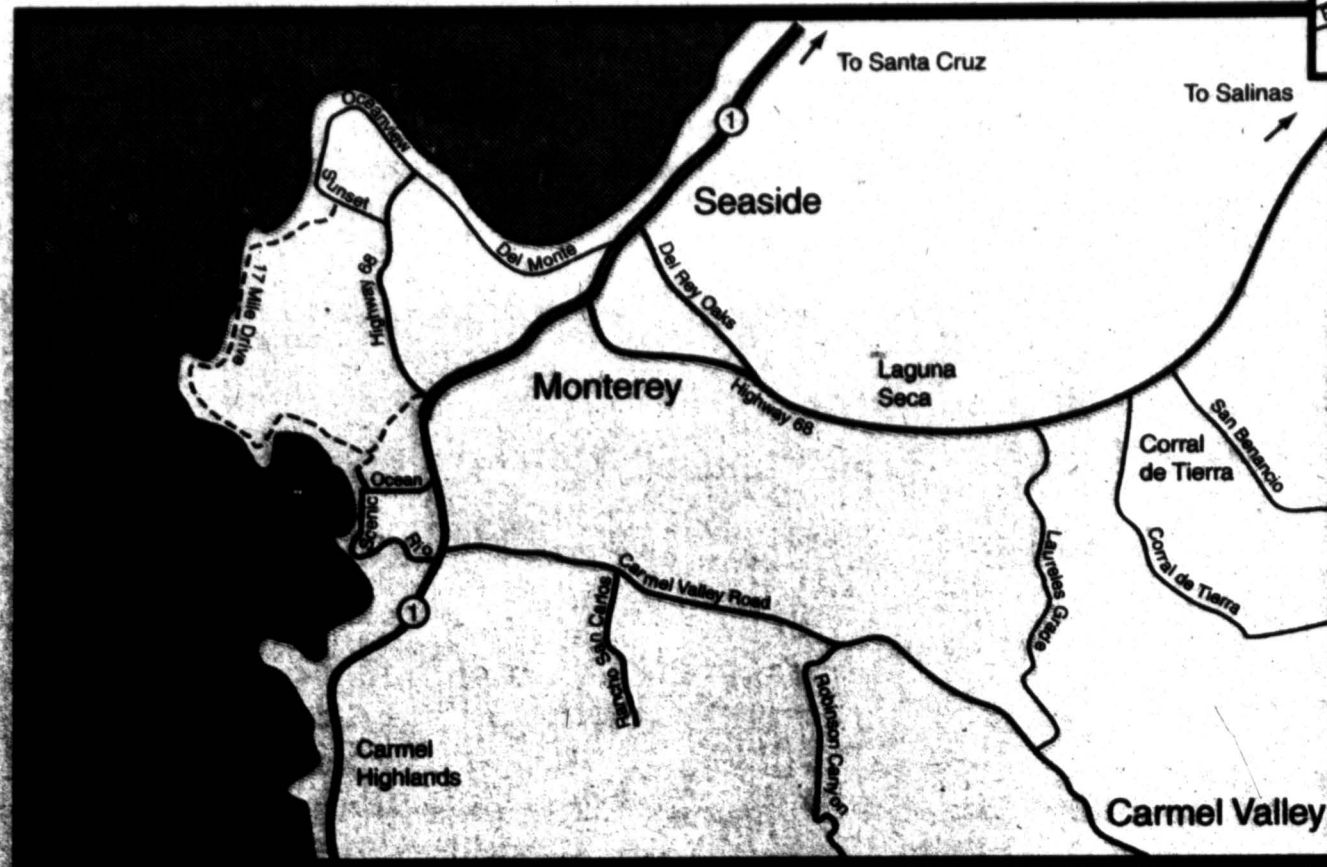
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\$325,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4
73 Hacienda Carmel		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$410,000	1bd 1ba	Sa 2-4
Mission & 3rd Pine Terrace C2		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$449,500	2bd 2ba	Su 12-2
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\$525,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 2-4
4000 Rio Road #52		Carmel
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3850 Rio Rd #40 (rain cancels)		Carmel
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\$695,000	1bd 1ba	Sa 1-3
24712 Cabrillo St		Carmel
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\$730,000	1bd 1ba	Su 11-1
SW Cor Forest & Ocean		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$795,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1:30-3:30
Mission 2 NW 4th		Carmel
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24809 Santa Fe		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
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NW Corner Santa Fe & 8th		Carmel
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\$895,000	2bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
Junipero & 4th SW Cor "J"		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$895,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
25967 Mission (rain cancels)		Carmel
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$899,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
Guadalupe 3 NW of 5th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2224
\$929,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
2655 Walker		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$936,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-6
25375 Arriba del Mundo		Carmel
Prudential California Realty		277-2399
\$995,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-5
2691 16th Ave (rain cancels)		Carmel
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$995,000	2bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-2
Santa Rita 2 NW Ocean Ave		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$995,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
2691 16th St (rain cancels)		Carmel
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$1,000,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
24665 Lower Trail		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,095,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 2-4
2 SE of Santa Fe & Ocean		Carmel
Burchell House Properties		624-6461
\$1,095,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
Junipero 10SW of 8th		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,100,000	2bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-3
San Carlos 2 NE of 1st		Carmel
Fouratt-Simmons Realty		624-3829
\$1,150,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
Santa Fe 4 NE of 6th		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$1,150,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
26195 Mesa Place		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,150,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
26153 Mesa Dr		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,185,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3 Su 2-4
26385 Rio Ave		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,195,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-4 Su 2-5
NE Corner Lincoln & 2nd		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,200,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
24880 Outlook Dr		Carmel
Prudential California Realty		624-9043
\$1,225,000	4bd 2ba	Sa Su 1:30-3
San Carlos 4 SE of Alta		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,275,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
Monte Verde 3 SW 2nd		Carmel
Fouratt-Simmons Realty		624-3829
\$1,295,000	3bd 3.5ba+gat hs	Sa 1:30-4
24753 Upper Trail		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,395,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
Lobos 2 SE of 2nd (new cost)		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,399,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-3
Monte Verde 5 SW of 13th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2224
\$1,395,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
Santa Rita 4 NW of 2nd		Carmel
Burchell House Properties		624-6461

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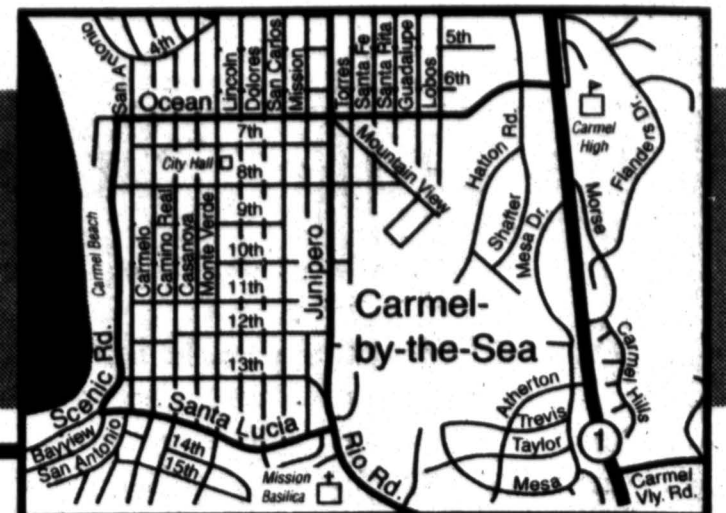
**CARMEL**

\$1,395,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-4
2677 Pradera Road		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
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26181 Ahertown		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,495,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
NW Cor of Carpenter & 5th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$1,495,000	5bd 2.5ba	Sa 11-2
25519 Hacienda Pl		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,525,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
6th St 2 W of Torres		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,595,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
10th 2 SW of Casanova		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,595,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
NE Corner of 4th & Torres		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$1,599,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4 Su 2-4
3444 Ocean Ave		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,600,000	2bd 3ba	Su 1-4
Carmelo 5SE of 19th Ave		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,690,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 12-2
6th St 2 W of Santa Rita		Carmel
Mid Coast Investments		626-0145
\$1,690,000	2bd 1ba	Su 11-1
San Antonio NW Ocean		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,693,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-4
Mission 2 SW of 19th (new cost)		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,695,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
3 SE Carmelo & 11th		Carmel
Burchell House Properties		624-6461
\$1,695,000	4bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
24802 Camino Del Monte		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,700,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3:30
NE Corner Dolores & 13th		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,750,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
3405 Lazzaro		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,850,000		Su 2-4
24925 Outlook Dr (rain cancels)		Carmel
John Saar Properties		625-0500
\$1,875,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
3506 Lazzaro Drive		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$1,895,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
2760 Fibera		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,995,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
2448 Bayview Ave		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,999,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
Carmelo 4SW of 10th Ave		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040

\$2,095,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
Lincoln 2 SW of 12th		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$2,175,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
Lincoln 4 NE of Santa Lucia		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$2,190,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
5 SW Casanova #13		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2224
\$2,193,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 2-4
SW Cor Lincoln & 12th (new const)		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$2,195,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
3 NE Camino Real & 11th		Carmel
Burchell House Properties		624-6461
\$2,295,000	3bd 3ba	Sa & Su 1-4
S End of Torres on 11th Ave		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$2,295,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
Mission 5SE of 12th Ave		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$2,400,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 2-4
NW Cor Santa Lucia & Camino Real		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$2,475,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 11-4 Su 1-4
Lincoln 4 NE 13th (new const)		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$2,595,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
Monte Verde 2 SE of 13th		Carmel
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$2,995,000	5bd 4ba	Sa & Su 1-4
2907 14th Avenue		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$3,305,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 3-4 Su 1-4
Monte Verde 5SE of 10th		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$3,995,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-4
26095 Ladera Drive		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$4,795,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
26152 Ladera		Carmel
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$5,495,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
26330 Scenic Road		Carmel
The Mitchell Group		624-6482

CARMEL VALLEY

\$2.9-4.9m		Sa Su 1-4
130 E Carmel Valley Rd		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$319,500	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3
#234 Hacienda Carmel		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$320,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-3
#207 Hacienda Carmel		Carmel Valley
Fouratt-Simmons Realty		624-3829
\$699,000	2bd 2ba+pool	Su 11-2
#7 Cummings Dr		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$740,000	3bd 2ba+studio	Su 1-4
279 Calle de los Agriemors		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$795,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4
205 Punta del Monte		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$850,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
26325 Jeanette		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2226
\$890,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
9647 Poplar Ct		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$875,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 2-5
316 Barbara Way		Carmel Valley
Prudential California Realty		277-2399
\$898,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-4
270 El Caminito		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$950,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa 2-4 Su 1-4
28069 Barn Ct		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$999,000	3bd 3ba	Su 1-4
61 E Carmel Valley Rd		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,090,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 12-3
34979 Sky Ranch Rd (rain cancels)		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$1,075,000	4bd 2.5ba	Su 12-3
11571 Hidden Valley		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$1,149,000	4bd 4.5ba	Su 1-3
15465 Via Los Tulares		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,198,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa 1-4
25420 Knoll Lane		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		624-6482

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\$1,295,000	4bd 4+ba	Sa 1-4 Su 12-4
65 E Garzas Rd		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		659-2267
\$1,299,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
8019 River Place		Carmel Valley
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$1,379,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3
26044 Rio Vista Dr		Carmel Valley
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,395,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
7080 Valley Greens Cir		Carmel Valley
The Mitchell Group		659-2267

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

\$1,995,000	4bd 5ba	Sa Su 2:30-4
152 Highlands Dr		Crm Highland
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$2,200,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa 12-2
148 San Remo		Crm Highland
Mid Coast Investments		626-0145
\$2,595,000	3bd 3.5ba	Sa & Su 1-3
16 Mal Paso Rd		Crm Highland
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$1,075,000	3bd 2ba	Su 2-4:30
153 Carmel Riviera Drive		Crm Highlands
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$1,195,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 12-3
201 Upper Walden		Crm Highlands
The Mitchell Group		624-6482
\$1,995,000	4bd 3ba	Sa & Su 1-4
9 Sonoma		Crm Highlands
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$2,295,000	4bd 4+ba	Su 1-4
6 Montone		Crm Highlands
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040

DEL REY OAKS

\$475,000	3bd 1ba	Sa 2-4
12 Malcolm Place		Del Rey Oaks
The Mitchell Group		646-2120
\$534,000	3bd 1ba	Sa & Su 1-3
78 Work Ave		Del Rey Oaks
Nations Estates		625-8787

EAST SALINAS

\$245,000	2bd 1ba	Su 2-4
713 Galindo Street		East Salinas
The Mitchell Group		659-2267

MONTEREY

\$390,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
250 Forrest Ridge #12		Monterey
Sale by owner		510-527-6473
\$469,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-2
857 Parcel		Monterey
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2222
\$495,000	2bd 2.5ba	Sa 11-3:30
70 Forest Ridge Rd #9		Monterey
The Mitchell Group		646-2120
\$599,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 2-4
602 Terry St		Monterey
Burchell House Properties		624-6461
\$599,500	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-3
463 Bowen St		Monterey
Fouratt-Simmons Realty		624-3829
\$695,000	4bd 3ba	Sa & Su 1-4
541 Dry Creek		Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$725,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4
480 Belden St		Monterey
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		649-6225
\$749,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-4
6 Forest Vale		Monterey
Alain Pinel Realtors		622-1040
\$760,000	4bd 2.5ba	Sa 1-3
2 Forest Vale Place		Monterey

MITRY/SALINAS HWY.

\$3,995,000	4bd 4ba+	Sa 1-3:30
110 Via Del Milagro	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
The Mitchell Group	624-0136	
\$3,950,000	6bd 6.5ba	Su 1-4
601 Belavida	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Prudential California Realty	624-9043	
\$3,950,000	6bd 7.5ba	Su 1-4
603 Belavida	Mtry/Sins Hwy	
Prudential California Realty	624-9043	

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\$735,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
8670 Berta	N County	
Burchell House Properties	624-6461	

PACIFIC GROVE

\$499,000	2bd 1ba	Sa & Su 1-4
1234 Funston	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$519,000	3bd 2ba	Sa Su 12-2
1135 Buena Vista Ave	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$535,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-4
239 17 Mile Drive	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$559,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
310 17th Street	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$560,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
88 Glen Lake Drive	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$585,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
154 16th St (rain cancels)	Pacific Grove	
John Saar Properties	625-0500	
\$589,000	2bd 1ba	Sa 1-4
405 Carmel	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$595,000	3bd 2ba	Sa 2-4
821 2nd Street	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$679,000	2bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-4
701 17-Mile Dr	Pacific Grove	
Prudential California Realty	622-3455	
\$699,000	2bd 2ba	Su 1-4
302 Granite St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	649-6225	
\$715,000	4bd 2ba	Sa 12-2
314 Congress	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2226	
\$739,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
142 14th St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	649-6225	
\$749,000	2bd 1ba+duplex	Sa Su 12-3
746 Lighthouse	Pacific Grove	
Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040	
\$765,000	3bd 2ba	Sa & Su 1-3
309 11th St	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2226	
\$799,000	2bd 1.5ba	Sa 1-3 Su 1-4
144 7th Street	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$850,000	3bd 2ba	Su 1-3:30
956 Sea Palm Avenue	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$895,000	2bd 2ba	Su 2-4
1029 Balboa Ave (rain cancels)	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$895,000	2bd 1.5ba	Sa 1-3
624 Forest	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2226	
\$950,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
16 Beach	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	649-6225	
\$1,195,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
1256 Surf Ave	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2224	
\$1,495,000	4bd 3.5ba	Sa 12-3
923 14th St (rain cancels)	Pacific Grove	
The Mitchell Group	646-2120	
\$2,195,000	6bd 4ba	Su 1:30-3:30
1205 Ocean View Blvd	Pacific Grove	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221	

PEBBLE BEACH

\$575,000	2bd 2ba	Sa 1-3
#53 Ocean Pines	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221	
\$825,000	3bd 3ba	Sa Su 1-4
14 Shepherd's Knoll (rain cancels)	Pebble Beach	
The Mitchell Group	624-6482	
\$929,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 1-3
1103 Ortega	Pebble Beach	
Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222	
\$930,000	3bd 3ba	Sa & Su 2-4
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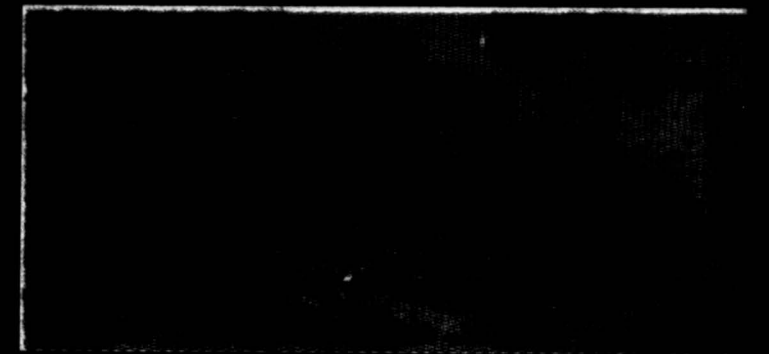
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RIPPLING RIVER

From page 9A

"The focus group believes that moving the residents, based upon possibly inaccurate information, would bring unnecessary grief to the residents and damage the housing authority's reputation throughout the county," the report reads. "Further, this might result in litigation."

No status quo

According to the housing authority, options include selling Rippling River to a nonprofit, demolishing and rebuilding it, or giving it to a developer who would build a housing project elsewhere in return. But all would require temporary or permanent relocation — an idea anathema to those who live there.

Some members of the public have suggested donated materials and labor could offset the cost of repairs, and have said there must be a creative way to fix Rippling River without evicting residents.

But valley resident John Dalessio, who presented the focus group's report Feb. 24, said the two sides "seem to be operating in two separate worlds," and the rehab-vs.-relocate debate has led to an impasse.

In the "comments" section of the same report, housing authority vice chair Lyn Ann Rosen listed what she believes are pervasive misconceptions on the part of the Rippling

River residents and community members on the committee:

The housing authority "does not care nor is concerned about the residents at Rippling River; [we] can make any decision we want and disregard HUD constraints, law and fiscal responsibility; [our] staff and our technical consultants are incompetent; and [we] and the residents at Rippling River are on opposing sides."

She said these opinions have prevented any kind of meaningful progress.

The enmity continued when it was revealed the housing authority's director of housing development, Starla Warren, had compiled her own report which repeatedly said the focus group failed to participate in the housing authority's work.

The very presence of that document evoked an angry response from Dalessio, who said he was under the impression his group's report would be the only one presented. He said he was shocked to read Warren's negative take.

"I am extremely disappointed in seeing this," he said. "The gist of [Starla Warren's] report was that we don't understand what the housing authority has to do."

Dozens of people offered support for the residents and pleaded with the agency to allow them to stay during construction — a suggestion commissioners dismissed as impossible due to strict regulations of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"The housing authority needs to spend a little more time addressing the emotional needs of so many people here who are really and genuinely living here in fear," one woman commented.

Residents association president Merri Bilek said her group hopes to form a nonprofit that could take over the property and then seek grants in the private sector.

Others reiterated that community members could and would volunteer their services toward fixing Rippling River's cracked walls, sidewalks and other age-related problems, but the focus group's report said the housing authority "discouraged this type of community resource on the ground that it had to hire contractors by competitive bid for the entire project."

Secret deals alleged

Several speakers accused the housing authority of operating in secret and making decisions without the right information, but when it was time for commissioners to comment, chairman Alan Styles bristled at the accusations.

"This board made the decision to bring this meeting to you so you could see what the board was looking at," he said. "We didn't have to do that — we could have sat in Salinas — but we all felt it was important for people out here to see what was going on."

Despite the dozens of people who pledged their help

months ago, no one has stepped forward to offer labor or money, he said.

Several commissioners opined that swapping the property with a developer who would build a new housing complex elsewhere seemed the most viable option, but Styles repeatedly said the board has yet to decide Rippling River's fate. When it does, the vote will be taken "right in this room," he pledged.

"They've already made up their minds," one man in the audience muttered.

OPEN HOUSES

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PEBBLE BEACH

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\$949,000	4bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
2814 Raccoon		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$1,150,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
3036 Valdez		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2221
\$1,395,000	3bd 3ba	Su 2-4
3039 Sherman Rd		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$1,475,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
3065 Valdez		Pebble Beach
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\$2,295,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 12:30-3:30
3080 Stevenson Dr		Pebble Beach
The Mitchell Group		624-0136
\$2,750,000	4bd 4.5ba	Sa & Su 1-3
1081 San Carlos		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$2,900,000	3bd 2.5ba	Su 2-4
1140 Porque Lane		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$2,950,000	4bd 4ba+gsgt hs	Su 1-4
3057 Cormorant		Pebble Beach
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\$2,950,000	3bd 3ba	Sa 1-3
3958 Ronda Rd		Pebble Beach
Coldwell Banker Del Monte		626-2223
\$3,250,000	3bd 3.5ba	Su 1-3
77 Spanish Bay Cir		Pebble Beach
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\$3,395,000	3bd 2.5ba	Sa & Su 1-4
1651 Crespi (rain cancels)		Pebble Beach
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1205 Benbow		Pebble Beach
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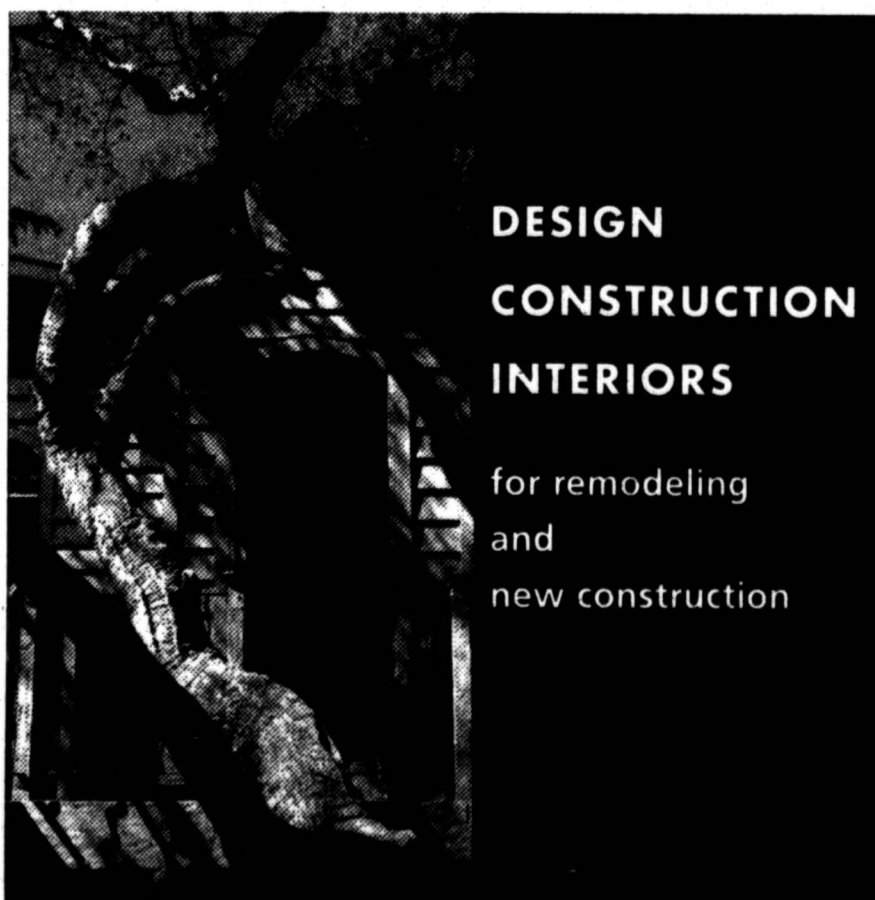
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POLICE LOG

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being banished from a Dolores restaurant. Apparently, management accused the subject of stealing extra creamers and jam packets from the restaurant. Subsequently, he was asked to leave and not to return. He expressed that he wanted to return. Advised him he needs to speak with the owner or manager.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Initially, female arrived at the station stating that her vehicle had been vandalized while parked at San Carlos and Fourth. Upon further interview and inspection, damage appeared to be the result of an accident. Offending vehicle may have been attempting to park. She was advised to complete a collision form.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Two parties came into the department and were involved in a verbal argument over a traffic incident that had just occurred. Dispute over a mirror being struck during a lane change and subjects yelling. One returned later and wished to file a report to get the other off the road. Advised the other subject would also be given the opportunity to do the same. Information documented.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Scenic resident

received a call from CPD regarding a water leak at his residence during the night. When he arrived, he noted his brick retaining wall had collapsed from a water problem that appears to have come from an easterly neighbor. He showed a large sink hole in his neighbor's backyard and took photos for insurance purposes.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A wallet was found at a bank at San Carlos and Sixth. Message left for the owner by the bank representative and the wallet was stored in the temporary locker at CPD for safekeeping.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on patrol, a subject was seen using a coat hanger to gain entry into a parked truck located behind Piatti restaurant. He identified himself as the brother of the legal owner. His statements were verified by the owner, who worked at the restaurant.

Carmel area: Supervisor of a Carmel Rancho Blvd. bank reported an unruly customer who began yelling while in the bank. The subject called back later and complained and said they would regret not cashing her check.

Carmel area: Mesa Drive resident reported she was concerned regarding her son. He was in town and had not come by to visit, causing her to worry. The son was contacted and advised to call his mother.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Flagged down at Scenic and Eighth by a citizen who had lost her dog. She removed the collar because the dog had stitches from a recent surgery and when she looked up, the dog was gone. She felt the

dog may have gone to look for the owner's recently deceased husband. "Cutie" was located at the north end of the beach happy and uninjured.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver stopped at Lincoln and Fifth and cited for driving on a suspended/revoked drivers license. Driver cited; blue four-door Plymouth towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver stopped at

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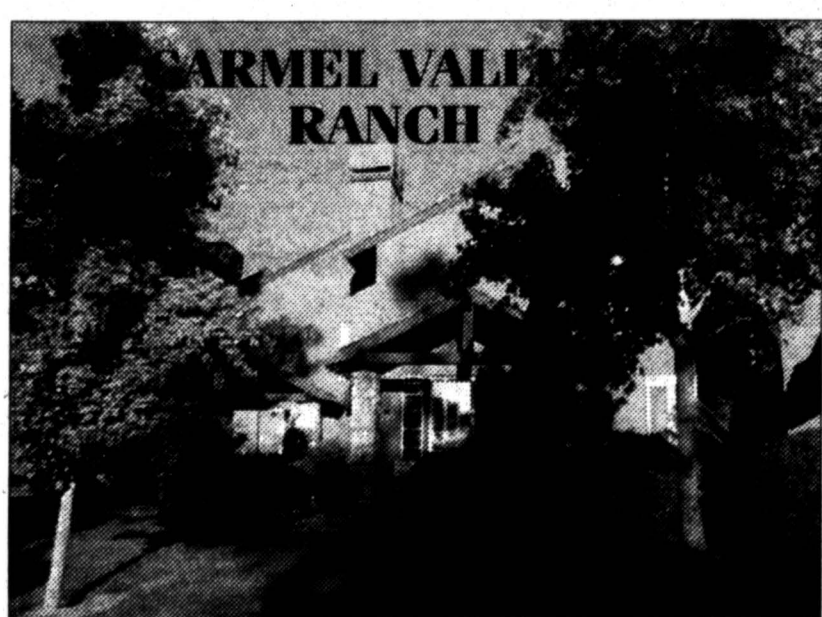
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POLICE LOG

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Monte Verde and Ninth for vehicle code violations. Driver cited; white Nissan Altima towed and stored by Carmel Chevron.

Carmel Valley: At approximately 1455 hours, a rural postal carrier was southbound on Via Los Tulares delivering mail on his route, when for unknown reasons the vehicle traveled across the road and down approximately 50 feet into a ravine. A woman cleaning a house

nearby heard the driver calling for help and dialed 911. The driver was transported to CHOMP for treatment of major injuries (compound fracture to right arm).

Carmel area: Male reported losing his cell phone somewhere in the Carmel area. He thinks someone may be attempting to use it.

Pebble Beach: Unknown person(s) stole a purse out of an unsecured vehicle parked in the driveway of a Sloat Road residence.

Carmel Valley: Two transient males were arrested after they walked out of Mid-Valley

Safeway without paying for more than \$300 worth of alcohol and food.

Pebble Beach: Subject wanted to have a firearm removed from his father at his Sawmill Gulch residence. He was advised of the laws regarding firearm confiscation. He might call back later for a civil standby.

Pebble Beach: Fergusson Lane resident reported a barking dog next to his residence. No one was home but the dog was secured.

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Carmel Valley: Los Agrinemsors resident reported the neighbor's dogs continuously barking.

Carmel Valley: Female Jensens Camp resident reported finding a carcass of a dog with no feet in her yard.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Three motorists warned for parking on private property on Scenic without the consent of the owner.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Eleven multicolored glass marijuana pipes, one wood box containing numerous pieces of marijuana smoking paraphernalia and a black plastic carrying case were seized from a subject. Subject stated he did not know whom they belonged to but that he would try to determine who the owner is.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female staying at a Carmel hotel reported losing the \$2,500 pearl necklace she had been wearing during the day. Unknown whether she lost the necklace in Carmel, Monterey or the county area.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A small trash fire at the foot of Del Mar Avenue which was the result of someone placing charcoal briquettes in a plastic trashcan was extinguished. Two citizens assisted with extinguishing the fire.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a 911 hangup from an Ocean Avenue shoe store. Employees stated everything was OK. An employee misdialed when she dialed her sister's cell phone number.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Victim reported unknown suspect(s) stole his cell phone head-

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Seventh Avenue resident reported that sometime during the past week, one iron chair with a palm tree design in the back rest, valued at \$250, was stolen. Chair was in front of the residence behind a 4-foot wall. Unable to provide any suspect information. Victim only wished the information to be documented in case the chair was found anywhere other than in her yard.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a male and two of his friends being loud at a Junipero bar and using foul language. They were asked to be quiet and an argument ensued. They complied to leave the bar after paying the outstanding tab.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Contacted and warned two subjects on Scenic about using a gas leaf blower. They stated they understood.

Carmel area: Female reported someone broke the window of her car while it was parked at the Bay School.

Carmel area: Assisted CHP and Carmel P.D. in the search for and apprehension of a male suspect after he fled the scene of an acci-

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set, charger and parking permit while his vehicle was parked on Monte Verde. No signs of forced entry. Victim thought the vehicle doors were unlocked. Estimated total loss at less than \$100.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Torres resident reported she heard the front door knob rattling, looked out through the peephole and saw an unknown male looking back at her through the peep hole. Area check met with negative results. Close patrol requested.

Big Sur: Female reported her husband missing on 02/21/03. He had taken three of his hound dogs into Los Padres National Forest and Fort Hunter Liggett in search of two missing dogs, and became lost. He contacted his wife via cell phone, but the connection was later lost. Sheriff's Search and Rescue conducted a search, as well as CHP helicopter. On 02/22/03, the subject hiked back to his parked pickup truck at the Santa Lucia trail head. He found some water in a canyon where he spent the night. He had to crawl through heavy brush and finally made his way out. He lost another dog in the process. He now has three dogs missing. He did not request medical attention.

Carmel area: Suspect(s) entered unlocked

cars parked on Camino del Monte and Pescadero and took property.

Pebble Beach: Spyglass Woods resident reported aggressive bill collectors calling her.

Carmel Valley: Camp Stefani resident reported his neighbor asked his son and his cousin their names and dates of birth. He thought the incident was suspicious and wanted it documented.

Pebble Beach: Male turned in a handbag he found in the tall grass next to his Bird Rock residence. Miscellaneous papers may lead to the owner.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported a male subject was shooting his rifle near his residence. Subject agreed not to shoot his rifle in the Carmel Valley area ever again.

Carmel Valley: Via Contenta resident reported an unknown suspect made an annoying phone call to his residence.

Carmel Valley: Chaparral Road resident found his wife deceased in their bedroom.

Carmel Valley: Female reported being "mooned" by four unknown juveniles at Rosie's Bridge on Esquiline Road.

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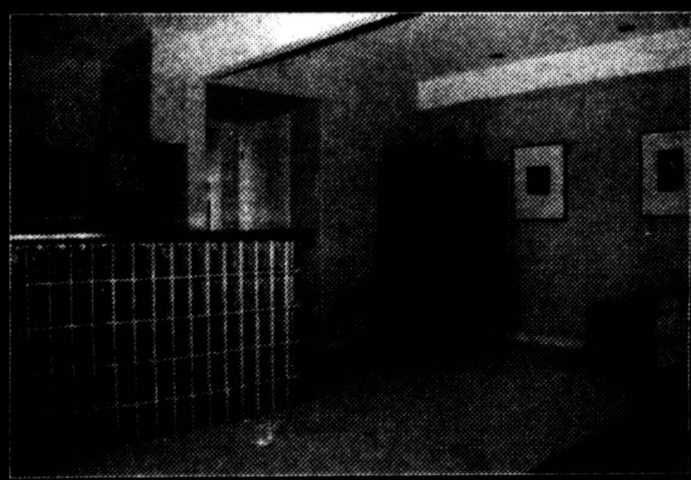
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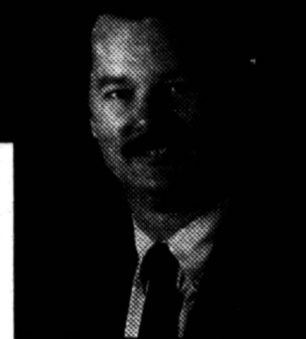
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OCEAN VIEWS. This Carmel contemporary home, located in a quiet neighborhood, features quarry tile floors, lots of skylights, and an open floorplan around a central deck. There are 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, an office, formal dining, single-car attached garage, & inside laundry room. Excellent condition. **\$1,100,000.**

A RELAXED LIFESTYLE comes with this 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit, located at Hacienda Carmel, a community for those 55 years of age or above, is just a few minutes from shopping, close to parking and the walking berm. Built-in cupboards with roll out shelves, second phone line for computer users and a sunny patio with skylight panels for your outdoor enjoyment. **\$319,000.**



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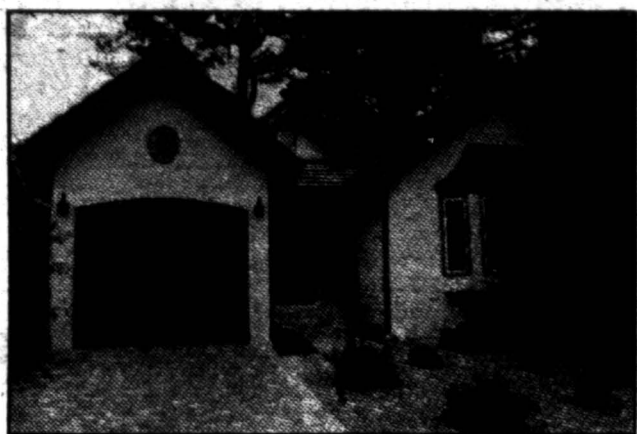
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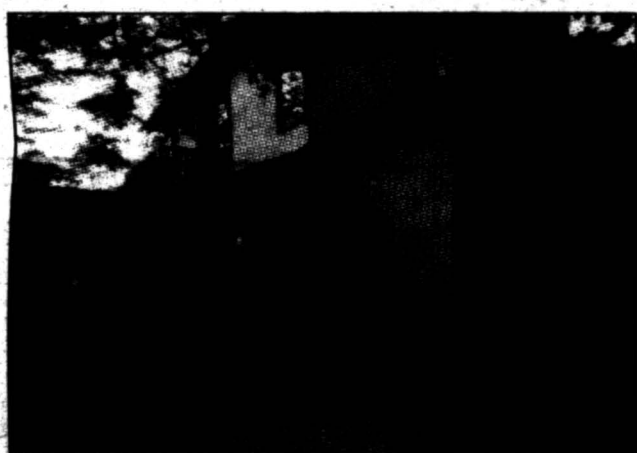
CARMEL



"SEVEN GABLES" COTTAGE! Brand-new 3-bedroom, 2-bath charmer on a quiet street has been beautifully designed and built. With hand-hewn beams, stunning hardwood floors, Carmel stone fireplace, and French doors leading to a private courtyard. \$1,365,000.

ARTS AND SOUL! From this charming remodeled Carmel English cottage you'll have a permanent seat overlooking the outdoor Forest Theater from your private patio! A magical 2-bedroom, 2-bath cottage with an ocean view master bedroom. \$899,000.

THE BEST OF CARMEL! This charming 2-bedroom, 2-bath South-of-Ocean beach house boasts a nifty kitchen, new baths, and outdoor patio. The master bedroom with cozy fireplace and sitting area overlooks the oak-studded lot to make this the best hideaway around. \$1,495,000.



A MAGICAL RETREAT! This charming, eclectic, seven-year-old cottage has cathedral ceilings, skylights, and many custom features by local artists and crafts people. Includes a master suite on each of two levels and the den/office could be a 3rd bedroom. \$1,595,000.

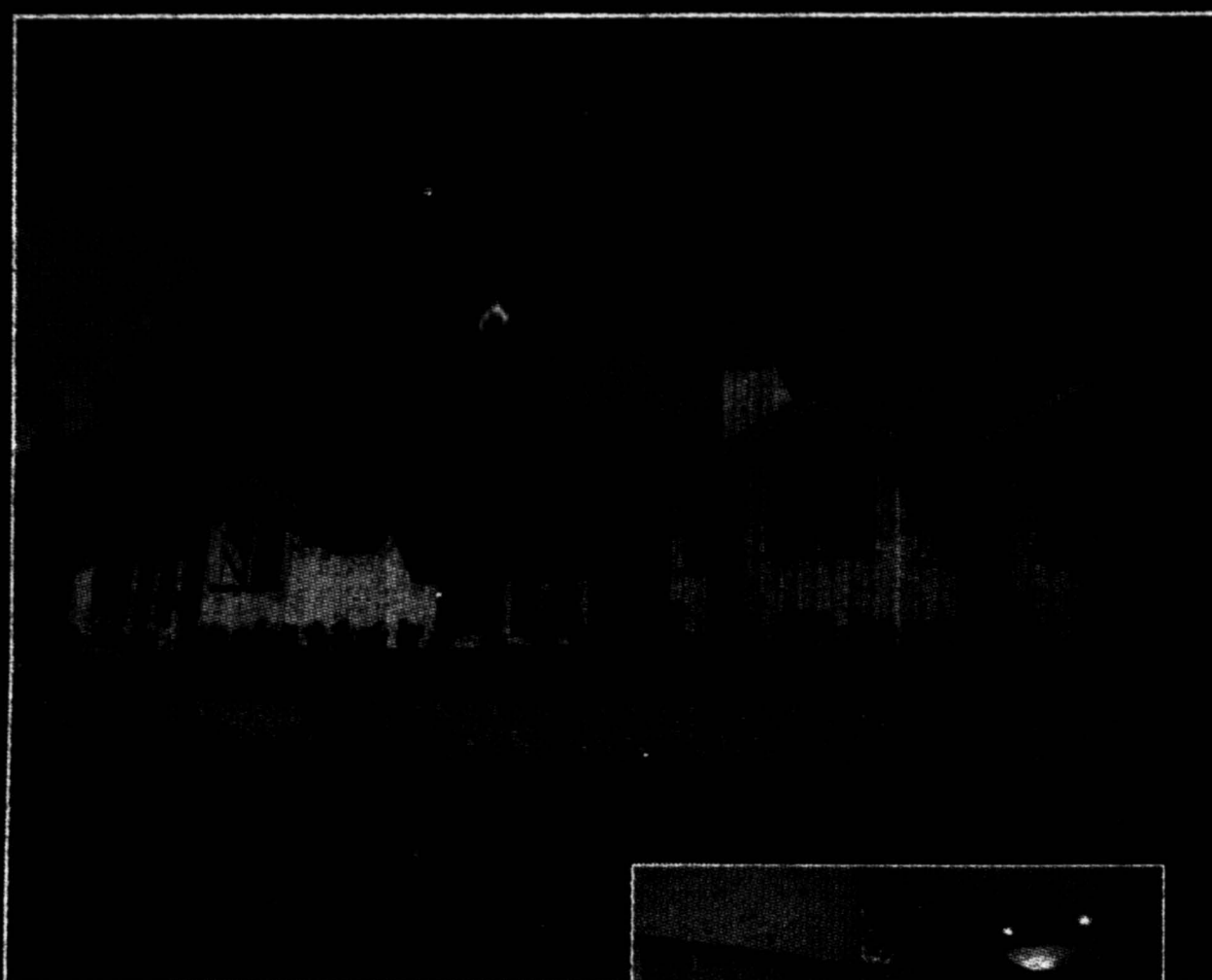
ABBIE HUNTER HOUSE! This stately Queen Anne offers historic romance with modern comfort and space. The great room has tall windows and fireplace, the remodeled kitchen is dressed in yellow and blue, and the parlor charms guests in the morning room. \$1,625,000.



SEASHELLS & SANDCASTLE! Restored cottage-style Carmel Point home steps from the beach. Ocean-view living room & deck. Sounds of the waves are heard in the master suite and guest bedroom. Like-new "turn key" with vintage-era furnishings. \$1,995,000.

CLASSIC CARMEL POINT! This Comstock-style post adobe, 4-bedroom, 3-bath home is located on one of the Point's largest lots near Carmel River Beach and Mission Ranch! This level lot has private front and rear yards complete with roses, fruit trees and gardens. \$2,325,000

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Watch sparkling sea vistas from all the major rooms in this dramatic new single-level, 3-bedroom with 3-1/2-bath residence! Top craftsmanship and finest appointments are featured in the 3300 (approximately) sq. ft. home. Also included is a fabulous ocean-view master suite. All on a very large useable lot. \$2,595,000.

"ROSEBUD COTTAGE!" This quintessential charmer is near the beach and town. Back from the street with lovely landscaping, this home is a private haven with picture perfect ocean views. Designed by Michael Bolton with 3 bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths. \$2,595,000.

COUNTRY ENGLISH STYLE! Nestled on an over-sized lot, this very charming 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home has a family room and an easy access sun-drenched southern-facing patio. Close to the beach and an easy walk to town. You will not want to miss this one! \$2,595,000.

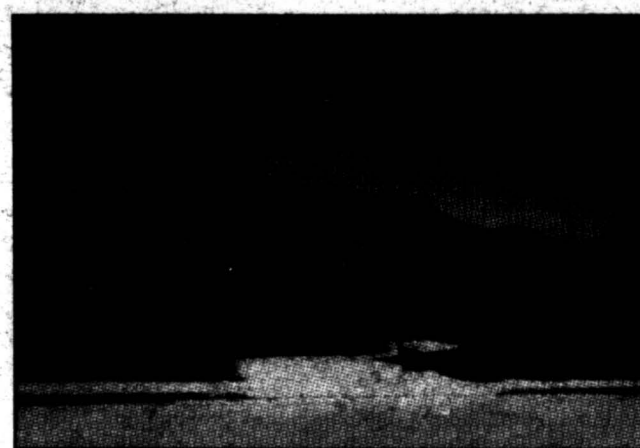
CARMEL VALLEY

HACIENDA CARMEL! This 2-bedroom, 2-bath unit is a popular design! With remodeled kitchen, skylight and expansive opening into dining/living room area. The patio is sunny and spacious. Easy walk to parking. Located just 5 minutes to Carmel. \$319,500.



RANCHO RIO VISTA! Beautifully remodeled 3-bedroom, 2-bath home includes a great master suite with private deck, family room and bonus room. Quality details include beamed ceilings, granite counter tops and tile floors. Near schools and shopping. \$1,379,000.

MONTEREY



DEER FLATS PARK! This brick, French country home of approximately 3000 sq. ft. is gorgeous! Includes 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, oversized rooms with high pitched cathedral ceilings in the family room and master bedroom, & 2 fireplaces. \$995,000.

ATTRACTIVE CONDO! Cozy 2-bedroom, 2-bath condo in the Ocean-Forest Complex. Features include a peek of the bay and use of the complex swimming pool and community room. Located near downtown Monterey, MPC, and Fisherman's Wharf. Ideal starter home. Don't miss this! \$320,000.

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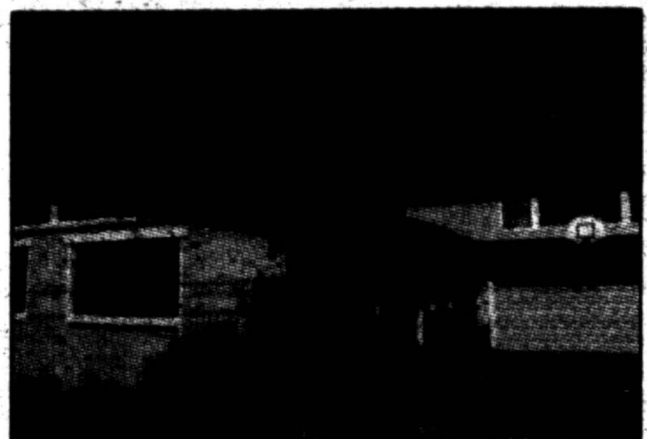
LOVELY CONTEMPORARY HOME! This beautiful 4-bedroom, 3-bath home sits on 1.6 acres. It has hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, separate living quarters on lower level, and a large loft with "hidden" staircase. And there's room for horses. \$615,000.

PASTORAL SETTING! Refined elegance abounds in this sumptuous 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home with elegant appointments and

luxurious details. Private gated entry to 1.5 landscaped acres with expansive valley and mountain views. \$1,995,000.

TRIPLEX ON MONTEREY BAY! This rare oceanfront offering consists of two 1-bedroom, 1-bath units upstairs and a spacious 2-bedroom, 2-bath unit downstairs. All three units boast bay views. Ideally sited across from the beach and near town. \$1,595,000.

PACIFIC GROVE



BEACH HOUSE! Just one block to the beach and a short stroll to Pacific Grove Golf, is this light and airy 3-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home. With white-water views from the second story family room, and a large grass lot with decks and hot tub. \$1,195,000.

PEBBLE BEACH



LANDMARK FAIRWAY HOME! At the 17th hole of the Shore Course of MPCC, this home has everything a Pebble Beach buyer could desire: location, golf course views, 4200 sq. ft. and a timeless, traditional design. Formal dining room, family room, 4 bedrooms & 4-1/2 baths. \$2,750,000.

POSTCARD VIEWS OF CARMEL BAY! Looking over the 6th hole of Pebble Beach Golf Links onto ocean and Carmel Point views sits this well-built home on over one prime acre. Elevated floor plan with 4 bedrooms & 4 baths. Fenced and landscaped behind gates. \$4,995,000.



CYPRESS POINT ELEGANCE! An elegant, beautiful, gated home on 1.65 landscaped acres close to the ocean. Offering two master suites, a library/3rd bedroom, 2 full and 2 half baths. Patio with fireplace overlooking lovely gardens and a duck pond. \$2,900,000.

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